

**Arctic Integrated Ecosystem Survey  
Cruise Report to the Arctic Integrated Research Program**

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Introduction:

The Arctic Integrated Ecosystem Survey (Arctic IES) is funded as part of the North Pacific Research Board's (NPRB's) Arctic Integrated Ecosystem Research Program (IERP; <http://www.nprb.org/arctic-program/>). The program and research on this expedition is sponsored by NPRB and the Bureau of Ocean and Energy Management (BOEM). In-kind support for this research cruise is contributed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Our objective is to understand how reductions in Arctic sea ice and the associated changes in the physical environment influence the flow of energy through the ecosystems of the Chukchi and Beaufort seas. Two research expeditions in the Beaufort and Chukchi seas during late summer and early fall 2017 and 2019 were designed to address our objective. Our survey takes measurements of the: 1) physical environment (temperature, salinity, nutrients); 2) seasonal composition, distribution and production of phytoplankton; 3) distribution and standing stocks of zooplankton; 4) assemblages, distributions, abundances, size, diet, and fitness of larval, early juvenile, and adult fishes; and 5) distribution and relative abundances of seabirds and marine mammals.

These Arctic IES measurements are designed to quantify: the physical and chemical environments; water mass, heat, salt, and nutrients; phytoplankton communities and growth rates; the composition, abundance, biomass, and energy content of zooplankton and benthic, pelagic and surface fishes, and the composition and relative abundance of seabirds and marine mammals. Year-round biophysical moorings will provide temporal context of these measurements as well as fish movement and marine mammal calls.

This year's survey was notable for a number of reasons. First, there was no sea ice within our survey region from 72.5N in the Chukchi Sea, into the nearshore regions of the Beaufort Sea and south to the Bering Strait. Ice was present in the northern regions of our survey area to previous surveys that occurred during 2012 and 2013. Second, age-0 Arctic cod were highly abundant on the Chukchi Sea shelf from 69.5N to 72.5N. Our 2012 and 2013 research surveys in this region also found age-0 Arctic cod in high numbers in this region, but our initial interpretation of the survey data is that 2017 stands out as having higher relative abundance of these fish in this region.

Daily radio calls at 6:00, 12:00, and 18:00 on channel 16 were done to update and inform nearby listeners on the status of the survey operations. Daily emails that displayed our progress and planned operations for the day were sent each morning to a distribution list.

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## **PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS**

AFSC – Alaska Fisheries Science Center, Auke Bay Laboratories, Juneau, AK

PMEL – Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, Seattle, WA

USFWS – US Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Migratory Bird Management, Anchorage, AK

UAF – University of Alaska Fairbanks, Juneau, AK

BOEM – Bureau of Ocean and Energy Management, Anchorage, AK

MML – Marine Mammal Laboratory, Seattle, WA

OA – Ocean Associates (contract agency for AFSC)

TINRO – Russia’s marine research center in Vladivostok

VNIRO – Russia’s marine research center in Moscow

UW – University of Washington, Seattle, WA

BLOS – Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences, East Boothbay, ME

FOCI – Fisheries Oceanography Coordinated Investigations, Seattle, WA

Sea Grant – Alaska Sea Grant, Fairbanks, AK

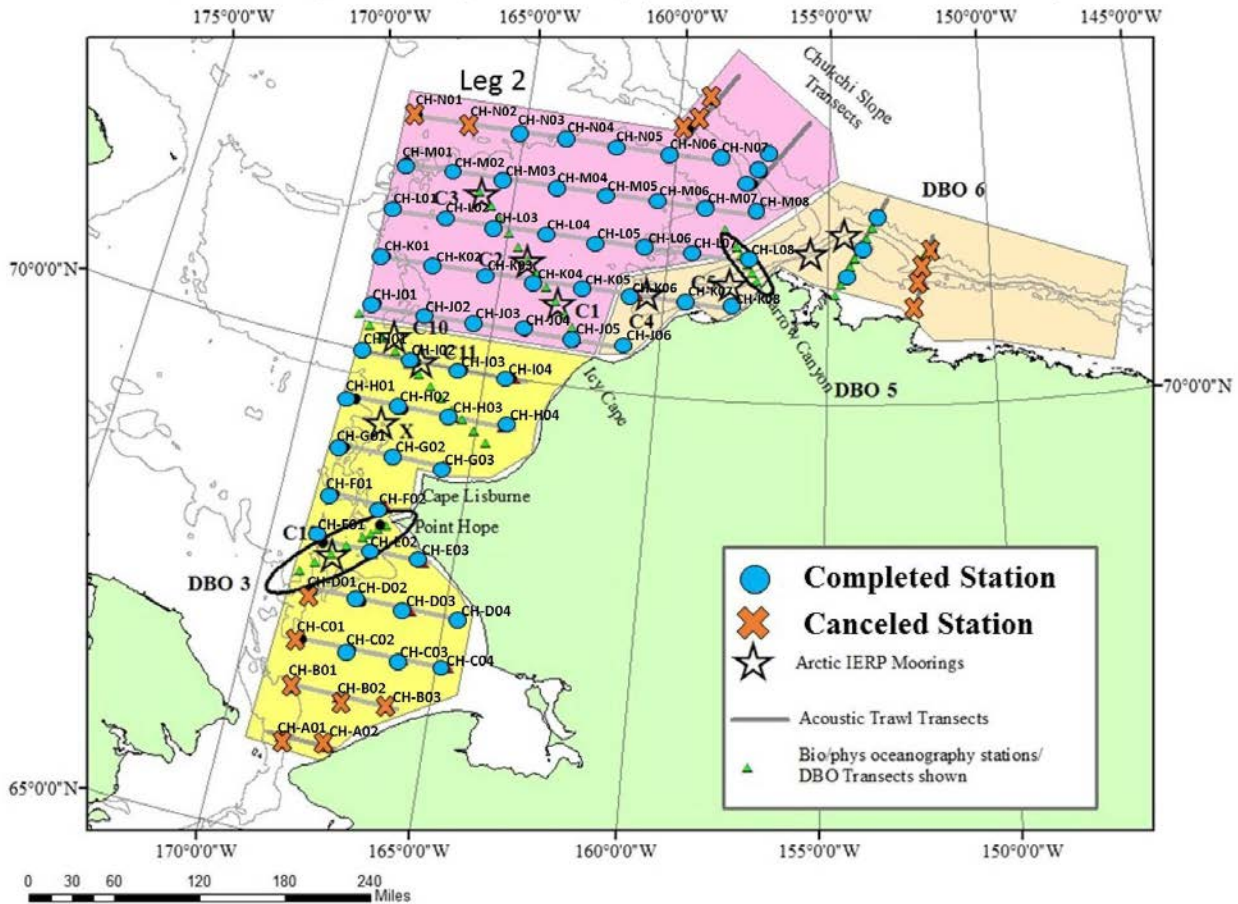
## SCIENCE PARTY CRUISE PERSONNEL

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date Aboard</b>	<b>Date Disembark</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Leg</b>
Johanna Vollenweider	Chief Scientist	8/1	8/24	F	AFSC	1
Robert Levine	Acoustician	8/1	8/24	M	UW	1
Chris Wilson	Acoustician	8/1	8/24	M	AFSC	1
Libby Logerwell	Fish Bio (beam trawl)	8/1	8/24	F	AFSC/FOCI	1
Cathleen Vestfals	Fish Bio/Student	8/1	8/24	F	UAF	1
Geoff Lebon	Ocean/Mooring lead	8/1	8/24	M	PMEL/FOCI	1
Catherine Berchok	Oceanographer 2	8/1	8/24	F	MML/FOCI	1
Lisa Eisner	Bio/Ocean- Phyt	8/1	8/24	F	AFSC	1
Nissa Ferm	Bio/Ocean- Zoo	8/1	8/24	F	AFSC/FOCI	1
Harmony Wayner	Student	8/1	8/24	F	ANSEP	1
Marty Reedy	Seabird Obs	8/1	8/24	M	USFWS	1
Sigrid Salo	Ocean/Mooring	8/1	8/24	F	PMEL/FOCI	1
Ed Farley	Chief Scientist	8/25	9/16	M	AFSC	2
Alex De Robertis	Acoustician	8/25	9/16	M	AFSC	2
Alex Andrews	Fish Bio (CLAMS)	8/25	9/16	M	AFSC	2
Igor Grigorov	Fish Bio	8/25	9/16	M	VNIRO	2
Ryan McCabe	Oceanographer	8/25	9/16	M	JISAO/UW	2
Dave Kimmel	Oceanographer / Zoo	8/25	9/16	M	AFSC	2
Steven Baer	Bio/Ocean-Phyt	8/25	9/16	M	BLOS	2
Dan Cooper	Fish Bio (beam trawl)	8/25	9/16	M	AFSC/FOCI	2
Genevieve Johnson	Bio/Ocean-Phyt	8/25	9/16	F	Sea Grant	2
Marty Reedy	Seabird Obs	8/25	9/16	M	USFWS	2
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Natalia Kuznetsova	Fish Diet	8/25	9/16	F	TINRO	2
Alicia Flores	Student	8/25	9/16	F	ANSEP	2
Esther Goldstein	Bio/Ocean- Zoo	8/25	9/16	F	AFSC/FOCI	2
Libby Logerwell	Fish Bio (beam trawl)	8/25	9/16	F	AFSC/FOCI	2
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Levine, Robert	Acoustician	9/16	9/28	M	UW	3

Igor Grigorov	Invertebrate Biologist	9/16	9/28	M	VNIRO	3
Dan Cooper	Fish Bio (beam trawl)	9/16	9/28	M	AFSC/FOCI	3
Eric Wisegarver	Oceanographer	9/16	9/28	M	PMEL	3
Steven Baer	Bio/Ocean-Phyt	9/16	9/28	M	BLOS	3
Adam Spear	Bio/Ocean-Zoo	9/16	9/28	M	AFSC/FOCI	3
Terry Doyle	Seabird Observer	9/16	9/28	M	USFWS	3
Zackary Pohlen	Seabird Observer	9/16	9/28	M	USFWS	3
Alicia Flores	Intern	9/16	9/28	F	ANSEP	3
Aleksey Somoff	Fish Biologist	9/16	9/28	M	TINRO	3
Natalia Kuznetsova	Fish Diet	9/16	9/28	F	TINRO	3

# R/V OCEAN STARR ARCTIC IES PHASE II CRUISE TRACK & STATION LOCATIONS

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## CRUISE NARRATIVE

**LEG 1 (08/01/2017-08/24/2017)** (Johanna Vollenweider)

### **31 July**

Weather in Dutch Harbor has led to flight cancellations and delayed arrival for the science group. Ten of the 12 scientific staff eventually made it into Dutch Harbor after extensive fog delays. N. Ferm and C. Vestfals were unable to secure seats on the plane and will be meeting the Ocean Starr in Nome on August 4.

### **1 August**

This morning scientists boarded the R/V Ocean Starr (K. Cieciel, J. Vollenweider, C. Wilson, R. Levine, L. Logerwell, G. Lebon, C. Berchok, L. Eisner, H. Wayner, M. Reedy, S. Salo) and fish sampling gear was loaded from OSI storage, including the fish sampling table & related gear and the beam trawl gear. A brief on-axis acoustic calibration was conducted in Captain's Bay. The Marport net sounder for the beam trawl was suspended with lines and tested on anchor and underway with limited success. We anticipate better success when the sounder is affixed to the net, properly orienting the sounder for ideal communication with vessel.

After the gear tests, K. Cieciel disembarked and the Ocean Starr began transiting to Nome at ~3:15pm. We began our trip with a celebration and cake for Harmony's 20<sup>th</sup> birthday.



R/V Ocean Starr docked in Dutch Harbor (J. Vollenweider)



## **2 August**

Today we continued our transit towards Nome. By evening, our travels had gotten us near the mouth of Kuskokwim Bay. Today's seabird observations found the most dominant birds to be Northern fulmars and forktailed storm petrels. Cassin's auklets were also seen. Several fur seals were encountered but no whales were observed visually. We do know that fin whales were in the vicinity, however, from calls we heard via passive acoustic sonobuoys. During today's transit, we deployed 3 sonobuoys, which we use to listen for whale calls. The sonobuoys transmit underwater sounds back to the vessel via VHF, until the vessel is no longer in range after about 10-15 miles.

## **3 August**

We continued our transit to Nome via the East side of Nunavik Island to get in the lee and get speed advantages from the current. Our transiting speed ranged from ~8-10.2 kts, generally on the lower end of the range.

## **4 August**

During transit to Nome, we stopped to turn around C. Berchok's Aural mooring (retrieved the old one, put in a new one) in Norton Sound (AI17\_AU\_NS01). We arrived in Nome at 8:00pm and picked up N. Ferm and C. Vestfals, ADF&G's 2 264 Nordic rope trawls and 1 set of doors, L. Eisner's phytoplankton production equipment. We refueled (~2,700 gallons) and reprovisioned before departing Nome at 11:30pm.

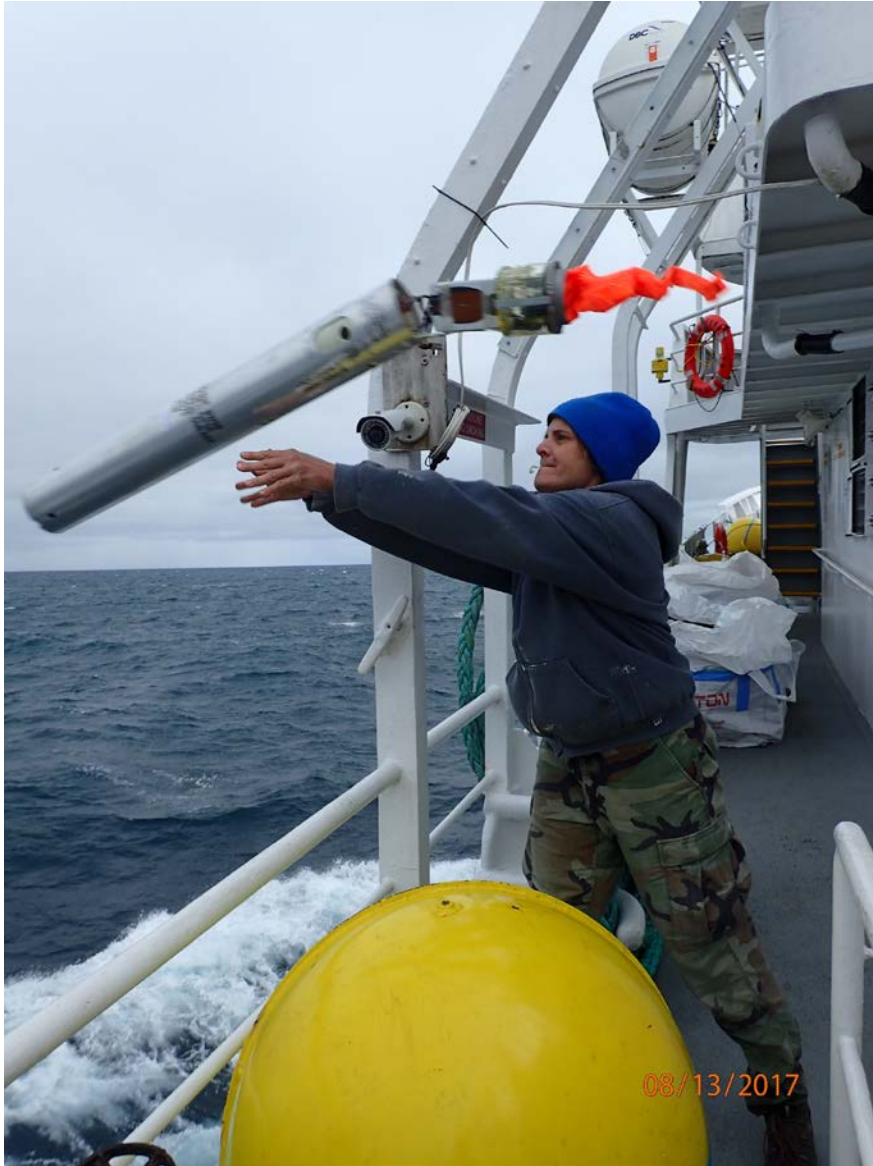
## **5 August**

In the morning we turned around C. Berchok's Aural mooring (retrieved the old one, put in a new one) at AI17\_AU\_NM1 South of the Bering Strait by King Island. During our transit for the remainder of the day, we set up L. Eisner's production & filtering equipment, N. Ferm's zooplankton station, and got the Nordic trawl spooled on the forward net reel.

We have had spectacular weather thus far. Primarily sunny and calm all day, with fog rolling in the evening. One dead marine mammal floated by, probably a walrus. C. Berchok has continued to hear fin whales from her sonobuoys she deploys periodically.



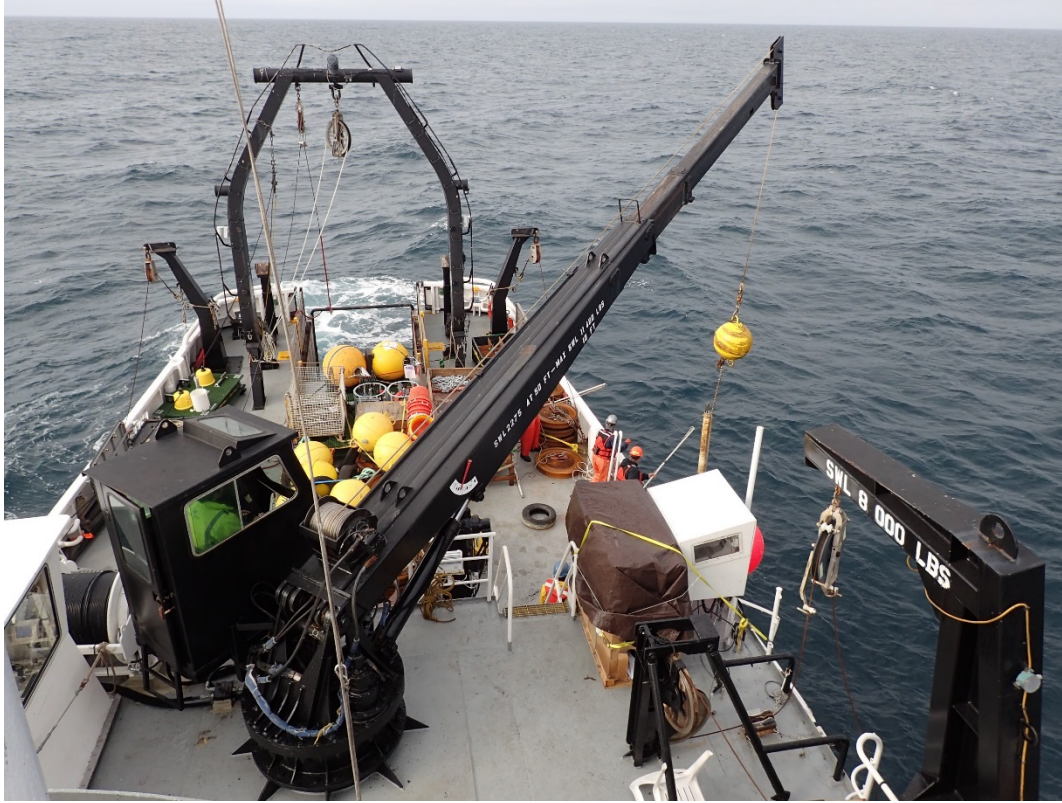
C. Berchok programming a sonobuoy (J. Vollenweider)



C. Berchok deploying sonobuoy (J. Vollenweider)

## **6 August**

We completed mooring operations at stations C12 (Aural & ADCP retrievals, CTD including collection of water for our first primary production experiment), X (Aural retrieval), and C10 (Aural retrieval, ADCP turnaround, CTD, drifter). We saw 3 humpback whales in the evening, the first live marine mammals observed visually of the cruise. The calm weather continues.



Mooring retrieval (J. Vollenweider)

### **7 August**

In the morning we conducted successful test surface tows with the Nordic rope trawl and 3<sup>rd</sup> wire. We completed the C11 mooring site (Aural turnaround, ADCP turnaround, 2 CTD's (production experiment), first fish mooring deployment and a drifter).



Setting up fish acoustics mooring for deployment (J. Vollenweider)

### **8 August**

We completed mooring activities at C2 (bongo, 2 CTD's (production experiment), Aural turn around, ADCP turnaround, Ice Profiler turnaround, TAPS TurnAround). All operations went smoothly with the exception of the existing TAPS mooring which did not release and failed to surface for us to retrieve. Through grappling with the trawl winches, we were able to recover the mooring.

Also at the C2 cluster of moorings, we encountered a PMEL mooring recently deployed by the USCG Healy. The sensors on the surface float were not vertical as they should be, but hanging off to the side and in the water. Using a Zodiac, we repaired the sensors.



Damaged mooring (H. Wayner)



Repaired mooring (H. Wayner)

We completed mooring activities at C1 (fish acoustic mooring deployment, Aural turn around, ADCP turnaround, and Ice Profiler turnaround).

Of scientific note for the day, in our first bongo tow of the trip we caught an abundance of *C. marshallae*, 5 saffron cod larvae, 1 capelin larvae, lots of gelatinous pieces, and some crab megalopa.

Weather picked up yesterday to 35 knots. We are currently working in some lee on the nearshore transect between CHJ05 and CHJ06. We plan to sample our first station at CHJ06 later this morning. Weather forecast is 30 kts for 2 more days before dropping off.

### 9 August

This morning we conducted acoustics between CHJ05 and CHJ06. Afterwards we loaded the Marinovich onto the net reel. CHJ06 was our first station of the survey, where we conducted all operations (including production experiment) except the surface trawl as the station is relatively shallow and we want a little more leeway in deeper water for our first try.



Production experiment (J. Vollenweider)

We plan to do the surface trawl at this station on the way back south. We had our first bottom trawl of the survey at this station, where we caught 2 YOY Arctic Cod, 1 age1+ Arctic Cod, 3 YOY Saffron Cod, 2 age1+ Pollock, MANY Sculpin, Slender Eel blennies, a handful of small Chionocetes Crab, and a mix of other inverts. Libby's Wheelhouse software with the extra bells and whistles for the bottom trawl was not functioning properly, but we have all the EQ data in CLAMS. The Marport system was still not working, meaning we currently do not have a back-

up system for the 3<sup>rd</sup> wire. We have tried it today on the bottom trawl, in Dutch Harbor dropping it vertically and towing behind the boat, and in Juneau on the Marinovich with no success.



L. Logerwell, K. Vestfalls, R. Levine, C. Wilson sorting trawl catch in the lab. (J. Vollenweider)





Plumb Staff Beam Trawl (bottom trawl) deployment (J. Vollenweider)

Tomorrow we plan for brief Marinovich tests in the morning, acoustics and a MWT between CHK05 and CHK06, and station operations at CHK06.

### **10 August**

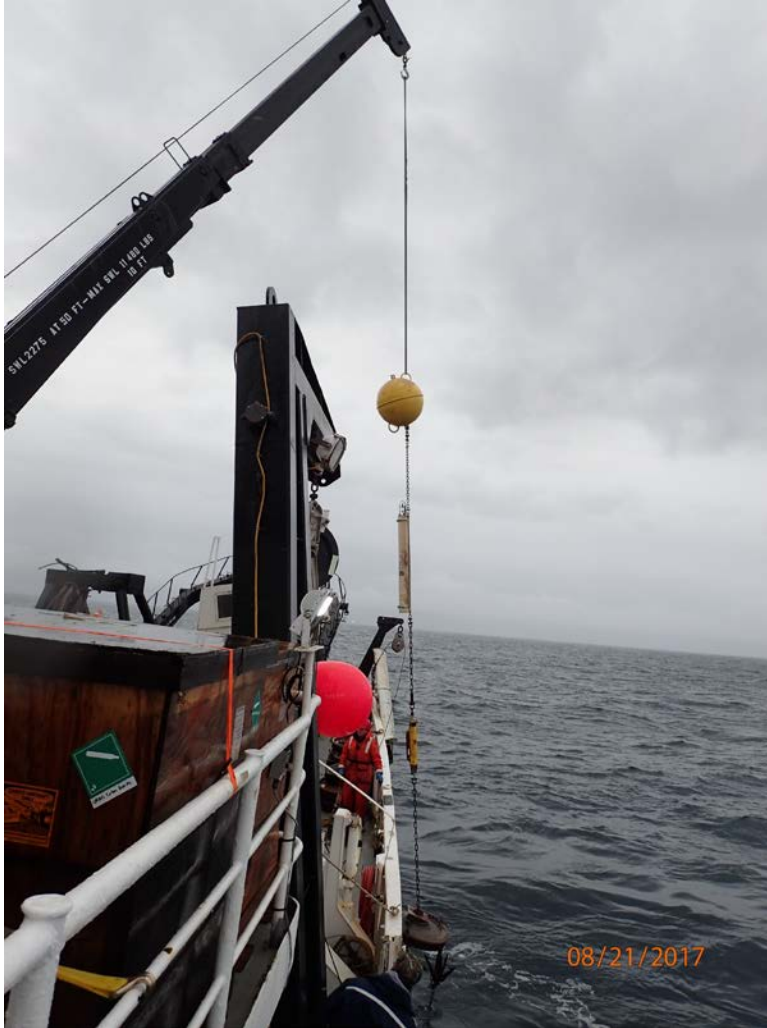
Thursday was a slow day. In morning as we did our final net test (with the Marinovich), we started to retrieve the net and lost the power to the third wire winch. This is the new winch they had installed in Ballard. The crew determined it was not a hydraulic issue and proceeded to track down the electrical issue for 3 hours before finding a loose wire & resolving it. Luckily we had tested the net with the cod end open and we had a course heading offshore, so other than lost time everything was ok. About the time we got the net aboard, the weather picked up considerably at 35+ knots, preventing us from doing much except doing an acoustic survey along the CH-K line. In the evening we holed up close to shore at CHK-07 alongside the Sikuliaq and the Norseman!



C. Wilson and First Mate Glynnis conducting wheelhouse operations for Marinovich trawl (mid-water trawl).

### **11 August**

Today we completed station operations at CH-K07, including a bongo, 2 CTDs (production experiment), a surface and bottom trawl. In the surface trawl we caught primarily jellyfish and YOY Arctic cod. No salmon were caught. In the bottom trawl we caught very few fish, primarily Sculpin. We conducted acoustics between CHK06 to CHK08. We completed mooring operations at C4, including an ADCP turnaround, an Aural turnaround, deployment of the third and final fish acoustics mooring, and a CTD.



Mooring deployment (J. Vollenweider)

## 12 August

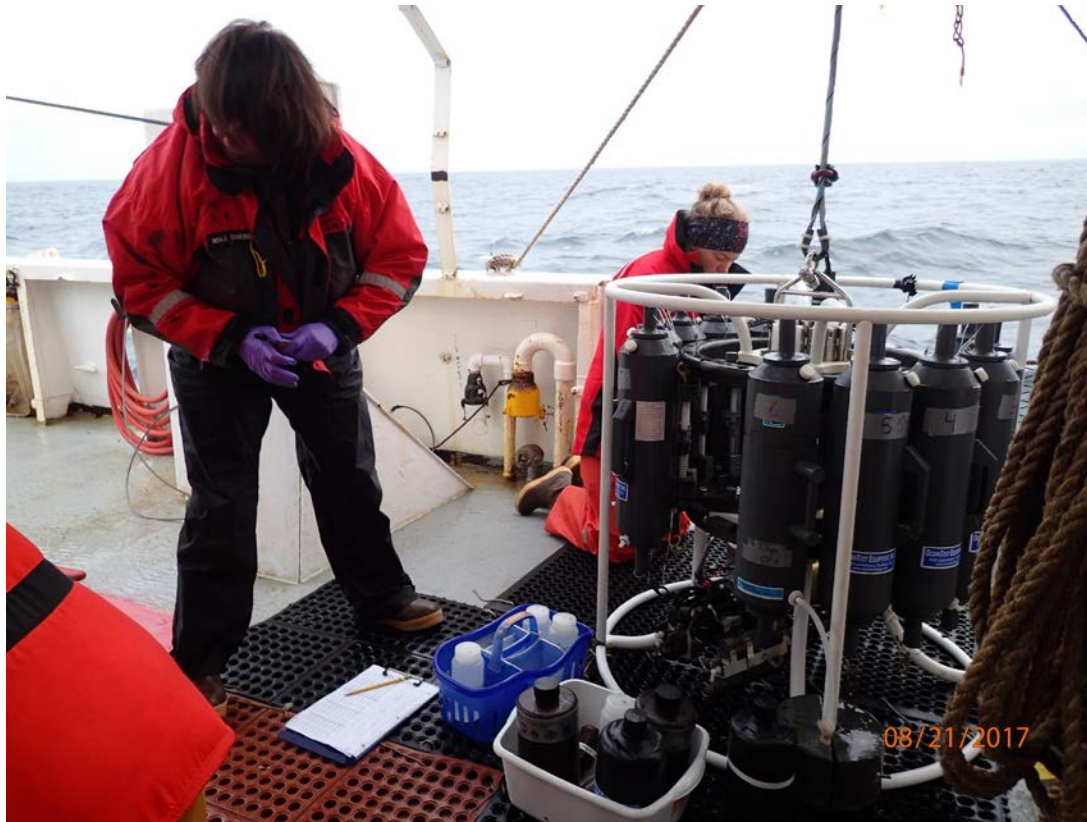
Today we completed station activities at CH-K08, including a bongo, CTD (production experiment), surface trawl and bottom trawl. Catches were relatively similar to yesterday. In the surface trawl we caught lots of jellyfish, and a handful of YOY Arctic cod, YOY capelin and YOY sand lance. In the bottom trawl we caught loads of brittle starfish and a diverse assemblage of invertebrates, and many sculpin. We completed mooring operations at C5, including an Aural turnaround, an ACDP turnaround, and a CTD. We did an acoustic survey between stations CH-L07 and CH-L08. We did a midwater trawl on a scattering layer at 10-15m deep, which resulted in a catch of primarily YOY Arctic cod, and a handful of juvenile Prickleback and Sculpin.



Surface trawl catch of primarily jellyfish (J. Vollenweider)

### 13 August

Today we completed station activities at CH-L08, including a bongo, 2 CTDS (production experiment), a surface trawl and a bottom trawl. Catches have been relatively similar by gear type. In the surface trawl we caught lots of jellyfish, and a handful of YOY Arctic cod, YOY capelin and YOY sand lance. No salmon have been caught to date. In the bottom trawl we caught about 20 fish, including 1 age 1+ Arctic cod, 1 YOY Arctic cod, Sculpin, Snailfish, and Eelpouts. We also caught loads of brittle stars and some Chionocetes crab, as well as a diversity of other invertebrates. We completed mooring operations at the two un-named stars near Point Barrow, which included turnarounds of a single Aural at each site. We will be positioned to start the first line (the western line) in the Beaufort Monday morning.



L. Eisner and H. Wayner collect water from CTD bottles for nutrient samples and production experiments (J. Vollenweider)



Octopus caught in Plumb Staff Beam Trawl (bottom trawl) (J. Vollenweider)

## **14 August**

Today we got bogged down in the vessel's gear issues. We started off the morning at the deepest station on the westernmost Beaufort line, BFM10. After leaving that station at >1000m and moving shallower we encountered the deep layer of acoustic sign we had been hoping to see, at ~200-300m. As we were fishing the mid-water Marinovich to sample that layer, several hundred meters of the port side warp unwound from the drum in moments and slipped off the boat, leaving us towing the net with the starboard side warp only. Thanks to a very competent deck boss, we recovered all the gear and are ready to fish again this morning. Unfortunately, that ate up much of the day. Once all the gear was on deck, we chipped away at the CTD/bongo stations and got 2/3 of the stations done. In that process though, we discovered the CTD/bongo winch (below decks) was missing a level wind & the wire was stacked up and back-lashed, giving us another 2 hours of trouble shooting. This morning we are starting at the nearshore station and plan to have a productive day and fish our way offshore.

Thanks to the decision to abandon DBO6, this evening we will tow the oceanographic towfish up (south) the Barrow Canyon and start working back south towards Nome. At this rate we should be able to wrap everything else up (knock on wood) in the allotted time.

## **15 August**

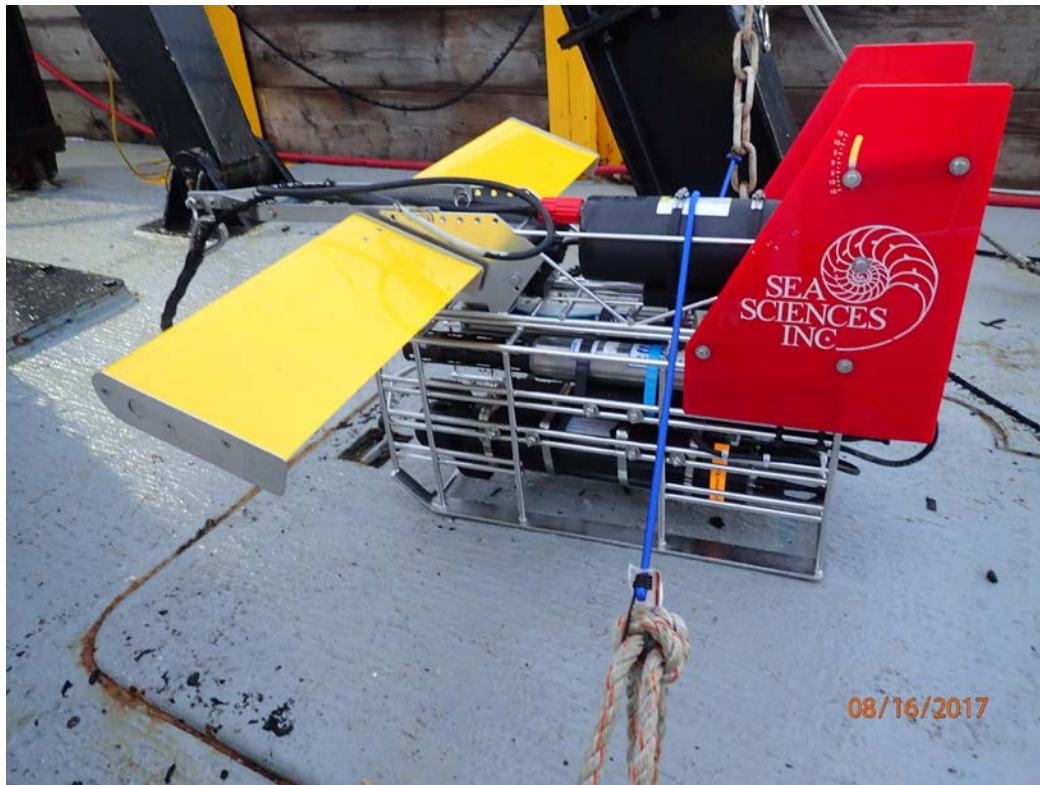
Today we completed sampling along the western Beaufort line and then departed the Beaufort Sea, starting our journey south. Activities today include the remaining Arctic EIS stations and CTD/bongo stations along the transect. All planned activities were completed along this line with the exception of a surface trawl at BF-K10 because it was too shallow, and 2 bottom trawls. A production experiment was conducted at BF-4. Libby passed up the bottom trawl at station BF-M10 because we don't have enough wire to fish that deep, and we skipped the bottom trawl at BF-L10 as we ran out of time for the day. We also did an acoustic survey of the entire line with 2 MWT's, and found lots of YOY Arctic cod. The surface trawl caught a few jellyfish. No salmon have been caught yet. The bottom trawl caught primarily sculpin. After completing sampling activities, we are on our way to the mouth of Barrow Canyon to deploy the towed vehicle and tow it through the night as we transit up through the Canyon. Tomorrow we plan to complete the remaining fishing stations we skipped on the way north (CHK06 - all station activities, CHJ06 - surface trawl).



Sorting the trawl catch on deck (J. Vollenweider)

### **16 August**

Today was another day fraught with gear issues, this time all of the oceanography type. This morning at 5:30 we went to launch the oceanographic towfish to tow it up through Barrow Canyon and Geoff discovered that its live wire hadn't been terminated correctly back at the lab prior to coming on the trip. Geoff consulted Phyllis and she prioritized Barrow Canyon over some of the later oceanographic work, so we spent a good part of the day figuring out the problem and reterminating it. We got it up and running and will be towing it through the night with people taking shifts to watch the screen to ensure its swimming correctly. While we were waiting for the retermination, we tried to do a CTD to get Lisa water for a production experiment. At that point the CTD stopped talking with the computer at ~10m and it was determined that a termination was also required for that. We repaired the CTD and will test it first thing tomorrow.



The oceanographic towfish (J. Vollenweider)

Tomorrow we will arrive on the CH-K transect and plan to mop up all our remaining fishing activities there.

### **17 August**

Last night the most unfortunate occurred. We had watched the oceanographic towfish move up and down on its programmed course through the Barrow Canyon collecting data for 3 hours, when all of a sudden at X the tow wire parted for no apparent reason. This is Phyllis's brand new wire on her winch, specific to the instrument. The wire parted cleanly and no one can think of a single reason for the failure. We were in ~150m water with 300m of wire out and the fish had been on a pattern of repeatedly descending to 80m and rising to 10m. We lost communication with the towfish when it was at 50m. Our speed through the water was just under 7.8 knots, and the instrument is rated to 12 kts. This was brand new wire. Three times we drug a series of small anchors over the area where we expected the wire to be laid out, without success. We had woken the captain to have him at the helm for the recovery operations, and at this point he ended the operations for the evening. Seeing the chances of recovery diminishing with each attempt as we were likely dragging the wire to other locations, we agreed that the costs of further salvage attempts the next day were unwarranted.

Today we completed a mid-water trawl on a layer of fish at 37-44m deep near station CHK-07, catching primarily young-of-the-year Arctic cod and jellyfish. We also completed all station activities at station CH-K06 (including 2 CTDs to accommodate a primary production



experiment). In the surface trawl we caught young-of-the-year Arctic cod, capelin of multiple age classes and 1 juvenile herring. No salmon have been caught yet. In the bottom trawl we caught loads of brittle stars, an age 1 Arctic cod, a Polar eelpout and a snailfish.

We also determined the problem with the CTD was that the o-rings in the vessel's slip ring had failed and it was not functioning properly. The vessel had a replacement slip ring which can be installed.

### **18 August**

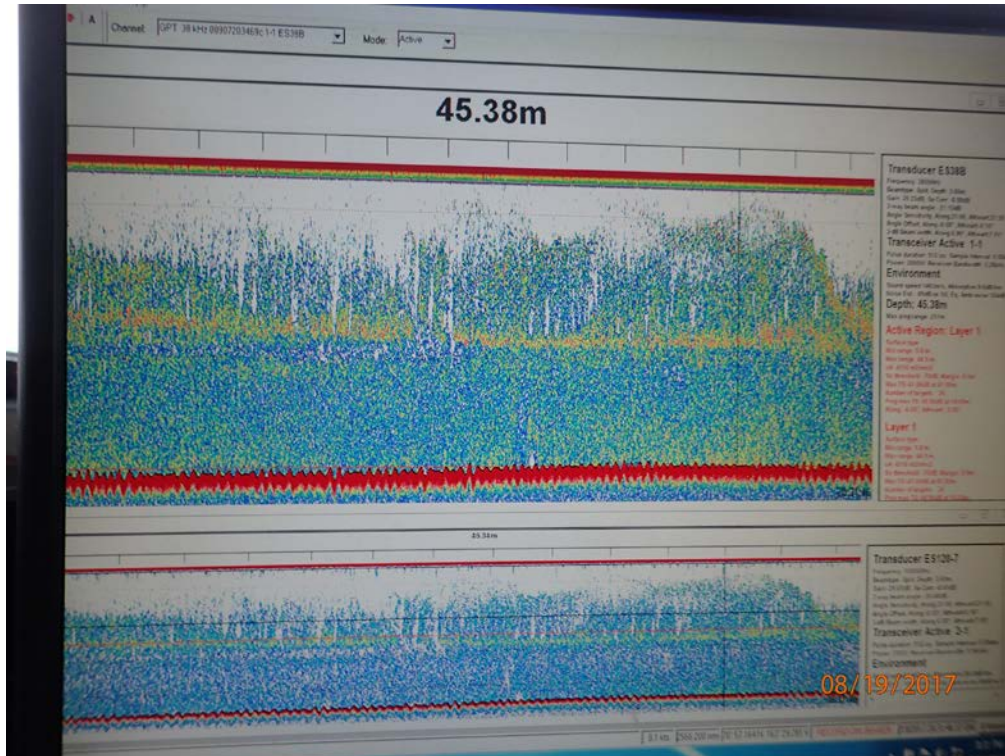
Today we completed all fishing activities for leg 1. We did mid-water trawl #6 west of station CH-K06 on a scattering layer at 40-47 m deep where we caught primarily age-0 Arctic cod. Sampling time for this trawl was relatively long as we delayed the tow to move off the target sampling area due to the presence of 2 grey whales. The doors also crossed as we were wrapping up the tow, extending the time spent at this location dealing with the gear. We also did a surface trawl at station CH-J06. 20 minutes into the tow 2 walrus came near the vessel and we hauled back immediately to avoid any interaction. In this tow we caught primarily age-0 Arctic cod and capelin, as well as sculpin, and wolf eels. The net was fishing about the top 20 m of the water column in an area with 30 m of water depth. To date, no salmon have been caught.

### **19 August**

Today we completed 8 oceanography stations (Stations 0.75, 1, 2, 3...7; 70 NM) along the Icy Cape line, for a total of 10 CTDs (including one for L. Eisner's production experiment at 3 NM) and 4 bongo net tows (bongos at every other station). Tomorrow we will finish the remaining 3 stations and conduct mooring operations at C3 prior to running to the Point Lisburne Line.



S. Olson, C. Berchok, and crewman Cameron. deploy the CTD (J. Vollenweider)



Screen shot of layer of juvenile Arctic cod on echosounder display (J. Vollenweider)

## 20 August

Today we completed all remaining CTD/bongo stations along the Icy Cape Line (including a production experiment at 11 NM) as well as all mooring operations at C3 (turned around 3 moorings). We will be at the NW end of the Cape Lisburne line first thing in the morning. If all goes well, we hope to get 9 stations done along that line (P Stabeno's minimum number) and drag for Kate Stafford's lost mooring along the way at C10. On paper, this should get us to the Point Hope line mid-morning the next day, and ideally we can finish that as well. To complete both these lines means that we will be working 14-15 hours per day. We have trained the vessel's night shift to do the CTD's so we won't be taxing the vessel crew. As we are only doing CTD's, I believe we have enough scientific staff to spell each other so no one has a particularly long day either.



N. Ferm preserving zooplankton samples (J. Vollenweider)

## 21 August

Today we conducted CTDs at 11 stations along the Point Lisburne line, including stations LB14-LB4 with a production experiment at LB3. These include the 9 high priority stations that were prioritized by P Stabeno. We also revisited Kate Stafford's mooring at C10 that had not released previously when we tried to release it. On our previous attempt to recover the mooring, after the release failed we tried to grapple it but the block we were using (Logerwell's) kept catching the wire and after 2 hours the effort ceased. Today our grappling efforts were successful and we recovered the mooring in less than an hour.



L. Eisner filtering water samples from CTD (J. Vollenweider)

On a side note, we completely missed the solar eclipse. At this latitude there was a 45% eclipse of the sun, however the dark, low clouds and driving rain prevented any noticeable change in light.

## 22 August

Today we conducted CTDs at all 8 of the stations along the Point Hope Line (2 CTDs at station PH07 to accommodate a primary production experiment and nutrient analysis needs), and deployed Aural and ADCP moorings at C12. We begin our 245 nm transit to Nome. ETA is 6am Thursday August 24.

### **23 August**

Today we transited from the Point Hope Line towards Nome. ETA is approximately 2am Thursday August 24.

### **24 August**

We arrived in Nome and were able to tie up at the pier for crew exchange. Activities included exchange of scientific staff (with the exception of Libby Logerwell and Marty Reeding who will remain aboard for Leg 2), fueling, offloading black water and garbage, and reprovisioning groceries. In the evening Libby Logerwell gave a talk to the community regarding the Arctic IERP project and Harmony Wayner spoke about her internship in the Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program (ANSEP).

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## **LEG 2 (08/25/2017-09/16/2017) (Ed Farley)**

### **23 - 24 August**

Science party arrived in Nome to meet the Leg 1 scientists planning to depart. Some of the science party were treated to Strait Science presentations by Harmony Wayner and Libby Logerwell who described their experiences during Leg 1 of the survey.

### **25 August**

We left Nome at noon today. Scientists secured cargo for the 3 day sail from Nome to 72.5 N



R/V Ocean Starr at the dock in Nome, AK (photo credit: Harmony Wayner)

### **28 August**

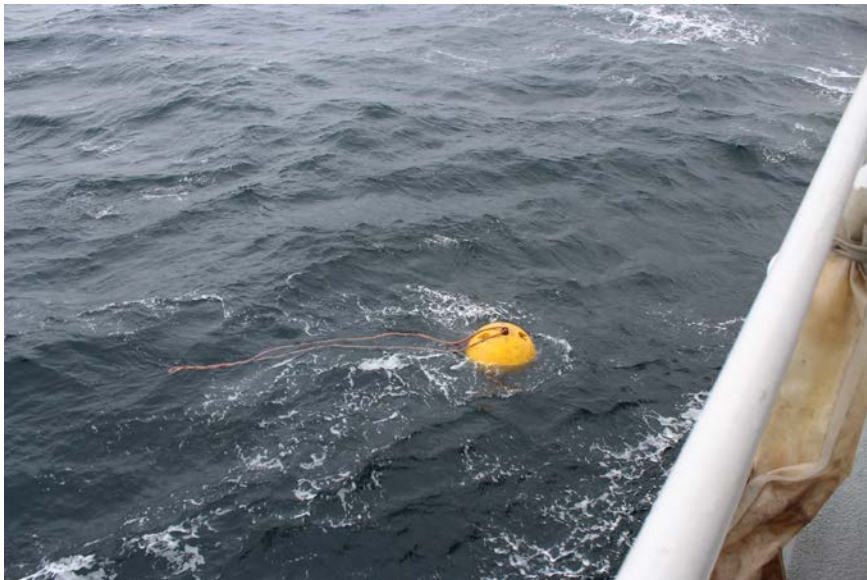
A strong north wind plagued us the first couple of days, considerably slowing our progress. So far we have averaged 5.5 knots, thus understand that it will take an extra day to get up to our starting transect. Regardless, we were able to release one of the Alamo floats in the vicinity of C10 mooring.

### **30 August**

Yesterday we completed two stations and two mid waters and collected water at the second station (CHN04) for production. Things started off fairly smooth today. We missed bottom on the first beam trawl, so had to set again. However, we completed all ops (Juday, CTD, Bongo, Beam trawl) within 1.5 hours....it took us 2.45 hours yesterday morning :) It is snowing this morning...but seas are small chop today. Lots of decapod zoea in the bongo tows and clams in the beam (bottom) trawl. We had small (2-3 cm) Bering flounders and a couple of age 1+ a.cod yesterday in the bottom trawl too. The midwater tows are catching lots of age -0 a.cod and jellyfish that include species such as cyanea with a few melanaster. No problem getting all sample requests for age-0 a.cod at this time. A production experiment was conducted at CHN06.

### **31 August**

We successfully recovered a mooring today that was anchored at 1,000 m depth along the Chukchi/Beaufort slope. The mooring was deployed approximately 2 years ago and contained a device at 500 m depth that records marine mammal sounds.



Mooring recovery. (Photo courtesy of Alicia Flores)

#### **4 September**

Happy Labor Day! We continue to make our way through the sampling grid. We lost internet access over the last two days, so no communication was possible. We continue to see age-0 a.cod and a few other fishes in the midwater. We have captured a few age 1+ a.cod and walleye pollock in the beam trawl. Most of the beam trawl samples are collecting inverts with occasional flat fish (small Bering Flounder). Natalia Kuznetsova is doing the on board diet analysis for midwater fishes. Age 0 a.cod are typically feeding on crab zoea (brachyura) and small copepods. All requests for age 0 a.cod have been possible at each mid water location.

#### **5 September**

We completed two stations today along the 71.5N line and 1 midwater. Fish and invert comp remains similar to other stations with many age 0 a.cod in the midwater and a mix of older age 1+ (small sample sizes) in the bottom tows. Production experiments continue each day (stations CHM07, CHM05, CHM02, CHL01, CHL04); Dave and Esther are doing the rapid zoop assessment (today we found euphausiids at the second station); Natalia is also processing the zooplankton samples from the Juday and has a nice data set on age 0 a.cod stomach contents for the survey period. We broke transect this afternoon at 1:30 pm and headed south to pick up two moorings. We have both moorings now and are headed back to transect. We will be at the next station along 71.5N (162.2W or CHL 05) by 06:00 tomorrow. We plan to do two stations and two midwaters tomorrow leaving 1 station on the transect to finish Thursday morning.

#### **7 September**

Day 14 in the northern Chukchi Sea, and we found ourselves nearshore anchored to wait out a storm. What is striking about this year is that we found no sea ice as far north as 72 deg 30' N, where just 4 years ago, sea ice was found in this region during early September.

#### **11 September**

We were down two days due to weather (9/7 and 9/8) but have been able to get 3 stations per day over the weekend. We are now on the 70.5N line heading east and should finish this line tomorrow morning and head to 70N. We are still seeing age-0 Arctic cod in the midwater and continue to collect samples for all requests. There are a few older age a.cod in the bottom trawl and this morning we caught 6 larger saffron cod at the first station in the midwater. The depths are < 50 m and the water column is fairly well mixed from surface to 38 m. Steve has been able to continue daily production experiments (stations CHL06, CHK04, CHK01, CHJ03 with future collection at CHJ05 and CHI02), and we have definitely become efficient at our station operations....i.e. today we were done with: Juday, bottom grab, CTD, bongo, beam trawl, midwater...within 1.5 hours :). This is helping us get 3 stations per day to catch up from our time off.



Photo: Age-0 Arctic cod (photo by Alicia Flores)



Age 1+ Arctic cod (photo by Alicia Flores)

We watched a program filmed in the early 1970s in Barrow about a boy who raises a Polar bear cub (Paqah, queen of the snow bears). It's a good show and includes two of Alicia's relatives!...amazing to see how much ice and snow was around the Beaufort Sea coast during summer in the 1970s when the film was produced.

### **13 September**

We are making good progress on stations and midwaters and will finish the 70 N line tonight. Over the course of the grid, we have seen large aggregations of age 0 a.cod in the offshore regions, very few age 1+ a.cod in the bottom trawls, and fair biomass of jellyfish (cyanea and melanaster) along with a few larger age 0 or 1+ a.cod in the surface waters within nearshore (<35 m depth) regions. Still no juvenile salmon in the surface trawls. On Monday evening, the



northern lights were out and Ryan was able to capture a few pictures, one with purple and other colors.



Photo credit: Ryan McCabe

Ryan was configuring the Alamo float that evening, and we plan to deploy the Alamo today as we go by the the mooring locations along this line. We calculated a 54 hour run from our planned last station location tonight, so we will be making our way south.

### **16 September**

We made it back to Nome in the morning and were at the dock by 7:00 am. Hand off to Leg 3 science crew!

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## **LEG 3 (09/16/2017-9/28/2017) (Kristin Cieciel)**

### **16 September**

First day of transit for the new science crew, leg 3 officially began. We left Nome at 1900 after safety drills and a ship orientation to make our way north towards the first station at 69.5N 164W. The transit was 54 hours to the first sampling location.

### **17 September**

Full day of transit and gear orientation for all new crew. Held an informal science meeting at 1400 for all science party members.

## 18 September

Continued transit toward the first station with master station name CH-H04 at 69.5N 164W. Our third leg included a diverse group of scientists. We had two bird observers from US Fish and Wildlife (Terry Doyle and Zack Pohlen), a beam trawl and flatfish expert (Dan Cooper), Zooplankton researcher (Adam Spear), Acoustician (Robert Levine), Oceanographer (Eric Wisegarver), three russian scientists which includes fish, invertebrate taxonomy and fish diet specialities (Igor Grigorov, Aleksey Somoff, Natalia Kuznetsova), fish and jellyfish researcher (Kristin Cieciel), primary production researcher (Steven Baer), and a former Barrow resident who was the blogger, photographer and intern (Alicia Flores).

## 19 September

We began our sampling at 0800 station CH-H04 (69.5N 164W) with a juday zooplankton net which was deployed by Aleksey, Natalia, and Igor. Operations to follow were the CTD deployed by Eric and Kristin, with water samples including production, oxygen, nutrients, chlorophylls all being taken by Alicia, Eric, and Steven. The benthic grab was Dan, Aleksey, Igor and the bongo deployment was run by Adam with assistance from Aleksey, Igor, and Kristin. The last operation before trawling was the beam trawl overseen by Dan with assistance from Robert and Kristin. We had vessel crew support with all cranes and physical deployment for all trawl nets. The surface nordic trawl net was deployed at 0915 with it being dumped on the sorting table at 1115. Our operations continued for the day with one midwater trawl tow and one more full station at 69.5N 166W (CH-H03) which included a juday, CTD, benthic grab, bongo, beam trawl, and surface trawl. Catches for the day seemed to consist of jellyfish and arctic cod.



First day of sampling for leg 3, scientists A. Somoff, I. Grigorov, and K. Cieciel sorting 1 of the 3 trawls for the day. Photo by Alicia Flores

## 20 September

Continued on line 69.5N at 0800 with stations CH-H02 (69.5N 167W) and CH-H01 (69.5N 168W), two standard stations with no surface trawls only the juday net, CTD (includes primary production (CH-H01) and water sampling), benthic grab, bongo net, and beam trawl. Due to the absence of surface trawling on the 20th, an opportunity for an additional midwater occurred and it was done on station. In total, two midwater trawls with the marinovich net were deployed at locations based on acoustic sign. The final station of the day was at 69N 168W (CH-G01), standard operations were conducted.

### **21 September**

Winds were picking up to over 35kn. Operations started at 0800 with the standard sequence of the juday net, CTD (includes primary production and water sampling), benthic grab, bongo net, beam trawl and followed by a surface trawl for station CH-G02 (69N 167W). A midwater was fished during transit to station CH-G03 (69N 166W) followed by the standard operations and an additional surface trawl. By the completion of our final station of the day winds were over 40 kn with gusts in the 50s.



Final beam trawl of the day, freshly dumped on the table and showing an assortment of species. Photo by Alicia Flores.

### **22 September**

Weathered out from any operations, had to seek protection from the wind and seas north of Point Hope. No gear was deployed or measurements were taken the entire day. Noticed seven other vessels seeking the same refuge area from the weather. The wind and seas were difficult to deal with even on anchor, gusts were recorded by the ship up to 70 kn. The anchor had difficulty making any purchase in the substrate and due to winds was periodically dragging.

### **23 September**

Pulled anchor at 0900 and started the transit toward the closest station. Winds had come back down to 40kn. Seas were workable in terms of putting gear over the side. We sampled CH-F02 (68.5N 167W), fortunately it was in the lee of the land and provided some protection for all over the side operations. We accomplished a juday net, CTD (includes primary production and water sampling), benthic grab, bongo net, beam trawl and surface trawl. The late start allowed us time to hope for the weather to come down a bit more by the time we moved away from the shelter of land at 68.5N 168W (CH-F01) we were able to deploy a juday net, CTD (malfunctioned), benthic grab, bongo net, and beam trawl. A midwater also occurred in between stations along the transect. Following the last operations for the evening the vessel set a southeasterly course to end up at CH-E03 for the start of operations on the 24th of September.

### **24 September**

The first station was CH-E03 at 68N 166W, gear deployed was the juday net, CTD (malfunctioned), benthic grab (malfunctioned), bongo net, beam trawl and surface trawl. The CTD remained nonfunctional for the rest of the day and was pulled from operations while undergoing repairs. The benthic grab was also no longer working, at some point it had hit the side of the ship and could no longer close. No one on the ship was able to repair the benthic grab. Second station of the day was CH-E02 at 68N 167W, operations were the juday net, bongo net, beam trawl and surface trawl. A midwater trawl was conducted during the transit to the next station. Final station of the day was at 68N 168W (CH-E01). It was an abbreviated station due to gear issues, CTD (tested and malfunctioned), juday net, bongo net, and beam trawl. Through the night we transited south to 67.5N 168W station CH-D01 which was cut due to time limitations but we still had the vessel travel the course along the transect lines for acoustic data collection.

### **25 September**

We completed CH-D02 at 0930 67.5N 167W, operations were CTD (tested and functional), juday net, CTD (includes primary production and water sampling), bongo net, and beam trawl. The CTD had been inoperable for 4 stations and was brought back online after a re-termination of the sea cable and removal of corroded sensors and cables. We moved east to CH-D03 at 67.5N 166W and deployed a juday net, CTD (water sampling), bongo net, beam trawl and surface trawl. The midwater for the day was done right after the surface trawl. The last station for the day was CH-D04 at 67.5N 164W, very near shore and only 19m depth. Due to the shallowness of the station the surface trawl was cut for fear of hitting bottom. Operations were a juday net, bongo net, and beam trawl.



A nighttime beam trawl with a Bryzoan disc dominant catch waiting to be sorted. Photo by Dan Cooper.

## **26 September**

Last day of sampling before final return to Nome. Completed a midwater and three standard stations with surface trawling at two of them (CH-C04 and CH-C03). Stations were completed starting at CH-C04 (67N 164W) at 0800 with a juday net, CTD (water sampling), bongo net, beam trawl and surface trawl. Transiting west to station CH-C03 at 67N 166W operations consisted of the the juday net, CTD (with production and water sampling), bongo net, beam trawl and surface trawl. The midwater for the day was conducted enroute to our last station at 67N 167W (CH-C02), where the juday net, CTD (water sampling), bongo net, and final beam trawl were completed at 2300. Following the last beam trawl the northern lights were viewed and everyone agreed that it was a spectacular show for those who were able to catch a glimpse. The vessel continued to travel west to complete running the transect for acoustics at CH-C01 (67N 168W) before changing to a southerly course and heading to Nome.

## **27 September**

Transit to Nome. The winds were on our stern, the transit back took about 27 hours, with a scheduled arrival time at 0230 on the 28th of September. Captain Pete preferred daylight docking for Nome, so we waited until 0830 to move the vessel into the harbor. During the transit spirits were high and clean-up of the lab spaces and deck were underway by 0900. Data entry, and final organization of samples and photos were all completed by 2000 that evening.

## **28 September**

Arrival in Nome was at 0830. This was the final day of the Arctic EIS phase 2 survey. A small contingent of scientists remained onboard for some Bering Sea sampling and a transit to Dutch to offload gear and equipment. Our arrival was met by Alex Andrews, Janet Duffy-Anderson, and Johanna Vollenweider all from the Alaska Fisheries Science Center. They rode the boat back to

Dutch Harbor. Myself (Kristin Cieciel), Robert Levine, Alicia Flores, Zack Pohlen, Aleksey Somoff, Igor Grigorov, Natalia Kuznetsova, Steven Baer and four members of the Ocean Starr crew disembarked the vessel at 1500. Alicia Flores ended her internship with a Strait Science presentation at 1830 at the UAF building in Nome. All fish and soil samples were packaged and being shipped to Juneau Alaska for further dissemination. Oceanography samples were being dealt with on an individual basis. All zooplankton was packaged for Seattle. The Nordic Trawl nets which were graciously loaned by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game were craned off the boat and returned to their storage unit in Nome. Several hundred pounds of chain which had been borrowed from the Nome Harbormaster was also returned, during that exchange musk ox were seen frolicking in the Snake River.

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### ***Staging/Destaging***

#### **23 July**

K. Cieciel, J. Vollenweider, S. Salo, D. Strausz, C. Wilson, R. Levine, and R. McCabe loaded sampling gear aboard the R/V Ocean Starr at the Subport pier in Juneau, AK.

#### **24 July**

K. Cieciel, J. Vollenweider, S. Salo, D. Strausz, C. Wilson, R. Levine, and R. McCabe conducted gear trials aboard the R/V Ocean Starr on the west side of Douglas Island in Juneau, AK. The Marinovich was successfully deployed with the vessel's third wire, the only problem being that the trawl winches were extremely slow to pay out/retrieve wire. A subsequent test of the Marinovich with the Marport net sensor was problematic. The Marport was not working, likely due to an uncharged battery. Consequently, the net depth was unknown and the net hit the bottom, breaking the footrope and tearing the belly of the net. Following the net trials, both frequencies of the SIMRAD acoustics were calibrated on- and off-axis in the cove South of Point Hilda and the CTD was tested.

#### **25 July**

The final gear was loaded aboard the R/V Ocean Starr in the morning and the vessel departed Juneau for Dutch Harbor.

#### **4 October**

The Ocean Starr arrived in Dutch Harbor and offloaded all items for Juneau into a 40' container, frozen samples were shipped and the vessel continued on to Seattle to complete the final gear removal.

## **DISCIPLINARY SUMMARIES**

### **A. PHYSICS AND NUTRIENTS (Phyllis Stabeno, Carol Ladd, Calvin Mordy, Ryan McCabe, Geoff Lebon, Sigrid Salo, Eric Wisegarver, David Strausz)**

#### **Hydrographic profiles and bottle samples**

The NOAA PMEL EcoFOCI and University of Washington groups conducted 135 CTD casts over the course of the cruise. The EcoFOCI CTD package consisted of a Sea-Bird Electronics 911*plus* instrument with dual pumped conductivity, temperature, and oxygen (SBE 43) sensors. In addition, a WETLABs fluorometer and turbidity sensor, a PAR sensor, and an altimeter were installed on the rosette frame along with 11 5-liter Niskin bottles. The majority of stations consisted of a single CTD profile, but nominally once per day an additional cast was taken at one station to collect enough water for on-deck phytoplankton primary productivity incubation experiments. Standard CTD profiles included the collection of water at nominal depths of near-bottom, 500 m, 200 m, 100 m, 75 m, 50 m, 40 m, 30 m, 20 m, 10 m, and near-surface. The majority of casts over the shallow Chukchi Sea shelf were limited to approximately 40 m depth, and the CTD was lowered to within 3–5 m of the bottom. The rosette was held in place for at least 30 seconds prior to bottle trips. Filtered nutrient and chlorophyll samples were taken from each Niskin. In addition, salinity and oxygen bottle samples were each taken at a single depth approximately every other cast for use in post-cruise data correction. Oxygen samples were initially saved and then processed onboard during Leg 3 of the cruise. The nutrient samples were frozen onboard in a -20 C freezer. All samples other than the oxygen samples will be processed in laboratories on land. Preliminary processing of CTD data was conducted onboard and hydrographic cross-sections for each transect as well as spatial maps were compiled (see Figs. A1 to A5 in Appendix A). Final processing of the CTD data will occur after bottle samples have been analyzed.

#### **Underway flow-thru system**

The NOAA PMEL EcoFOCI group installed an underway system on the ship's seawater intake line (~3.5 m depth) that included a Sea-Bird Electronics thermosalinograph (Stabeno/Ladd), a WETLABS fluorometer (McCabe), and a Satlantic ISUS (Eisner); the ship's GPS information was also fed into the data stream. Filtered chlorophyll, nutrient, and salinity samples were taken approximately once per day. These samples will be used along with the near-surface CTD samples for post-cruise correction of the underway data.

#### **Towed instrument**

The NOAA PMEL EcoFOCI group planned multiple transects with a Sea Sciences Inc. Acrobat towed instrument. Unfortunately, during the initial tows the wire parted and the instrument was lost. The R/V *Ocean Starr* attempted dragging to recover the instrument but this was unsuccessful. A separate mission a few weeks later successfully recovered the instrument.

### **Satellite-tracked drogued drifters**

Two satellite-tracked ARGOS drifters were deployed on the Chukchi Sea shelf during Leg 1 of the cruise. These drifters were drogued at 30 m depth and transmit position, time, and near-surface temperature via satellite. The first drifter was deployed near the C10 site, and the second drifter was deployed near the C11 site.

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136868	07-Aug-2017	11:10	70 12.704	167 46.62
136869	08-Aug-2017	02:01	70 05.0	166 45.7

### **ALAMO Floats**

Two Air Launched Autonomous Micro Observer (ALAMO) floats were deployed during Leg 2. The first float (#9120) ceased communicating after deployment near the C10 location. Following analysis of nearby water column density, approximately 50 g of additional ballast weight were added to a second float (#9119) before its deployment near the C11 location. This second float has been communicating and performing as intended.

<u>Float ID#</u>	<u>Deploy Date [UTC]</u>	<u>Deploy Time [UTC]</u>	<u>Latitude</u>	<u>Longitude</u>
9120	28-Aug-2017	13:12	70 12.331	167 47.977
9119	13-Sep-2017	23:30	70 00.547	166 56.400

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## **B. PRIMARY PRODUCTION (Lisa Eisner, Mike Lomas, Steve Baer)**

Samples were collected for primary production, chlorophyll a, particulate organic phosphorus, phytoplankton taxonomic analysis with flow cytometry and a FlowCam (Fluid Imaging Technologies), and fatty acid analysis of seston and zooplankton in the Chukchi and Beaufort seas. We sampled 32 stations for total primary production with size fraction production collected at half the sites to estimate phytoplankton growth for the whole community and small (<5  $\mu\text{m}$ ) and large (>5  $\mu\text{m}$ ) size fractions. Stable isotopes for carbon, nitrate and ammonium were added to measure uptake at 4 light levels (100-1.5% surface irradiance). Water samples were incubated in on-deck incubators cooled with surface seawater for 6 hours and terminated by filtration. Filters were stored frozen until analysis at Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences.

### **Phytoplankton taxa and biomass (chlorophyll a)**

Total chlorophyll a (a rough estimate of phytoplankton biomass) was collected at all depths at all (~112) CTD stations (883 total samples including whole and size fractions, Fig. B1). Size fractionated chlorophyll a were collected at 3 depths for three fractions (< 5, 5-20, > 20  $\mu\text{m}$ ) at



production stations and for 2 fractions ( $< 5$ ,  $> 5\mu\text{m}$ ) at all other grid stations. Particulate organic phosphorus samples were collected at all production stations and depths; particulate organic nitrogen and particulate organic carbon will be obtained from the primary production sample analyses.

Flow cytometry samples for quantification of small phytoplankton ( $<20\ \mu\text{m}$ ) were collected at 88 stations at all depths. Samples were fixed and frozen at  $-80^{\circ}\text{C}$  at sea, until analysis on a BD FACSJazz flow cytometer at the Bigelow Laboratory.

FlowCam analysis for identification of large phytoplankton and microzooplankton ( $\sim 10 - 200\ \mu\text{m}$ ) was conducted on live samples at 75 stations (1-4 depths). Preliminary analysis suggest that during leg 1, dinoflagellates, ciliates and small cells (Fig. B1) were found at the majority of sites (mostly inshore locations) with diatoms present primary along the Point Hope transect (DBO3). During leg 2 the chlorophyll maximum generally was confined below the pycnocline, and was present with a lot of detrital material. There were a lot of small centric diatoms and dinoflagellates, along with some small pennate diatoms, many of which were under  $20\ \mu\text{m}$  in diameter. As we moved further south (including leg 3), there were many more large, long ( $100-200\mu\text{m}$  in length) diatoms like *Proboscia* and *Pseudonitzschia*. Large chain-forming species, namely *Chaetoceros*, were abundant everywhere, along with some *Thalassiosira* and *Thalassionema*, although more abundant further south. These were found broadly throughout the mixed layer (upper 30 m). Future analysis of Flow Cam images will provide more quantitative results and attempt to document the presence of potentially toxic phytoplankton (e.g., *Alexandrium*).



**Fig. B1:** ANSEP student H. Wayner filtering chlorophyll a samples in the main lab of the *R/V Ocean Starr*. Photo courtesy of Harmony Wayner.

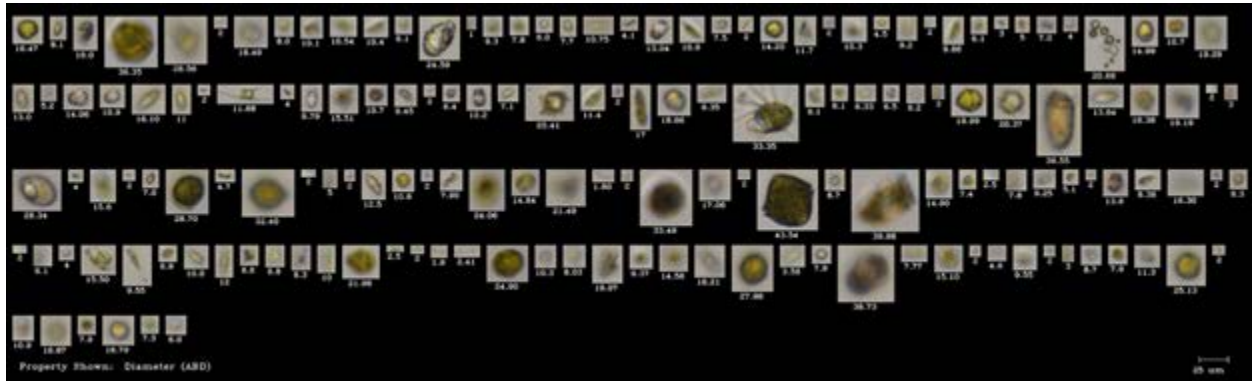


Fig. B2: Flow Cam (top) and subset of Flow Cam photos from a single sample during leg 1.

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### C. MICROZOOPLANKTON (Dave Kimmel, Mike Lomas, Lisa Eisner)

Microzooplankton were sampled from the Niskin bottles at 3 depths (surface mixed layer, chlorophyll maximum, below chlorophyll maximum) when the water column is stratified. Microzooplankton were preserved in acid Lugol's solution at every grid station, in glutaraldehyde at every other grid station. Microzooplankton samples for molecular analysis were also taken at 6 stations in the northern Chukchi Sea. Microzooplankton samples will be shipped to the Schnetzer laboratory at North Carolina State University for enumeration and identification.

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### D. LARGE ZOOPLANKTON AND ICHTHYOPLANKTON (Dave Kimmel, Adam Spear, Janet Duffy-Anderson, Esther Goldstein)

#### Zooplankton

Meta- and mesozooplankton were sampled using a paired Bongo net frame with two 60 cm diameter, 505  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh nets and two 20 cm, 153  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh nets. The bongo frame was towed in conjunction with a SeaCat CTD profiler that recorded temperature and salinity. Bongo tows were processed in the following manner. Net 1 of both the 505  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh and 153  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh was

preserved in formalin for later sorting at the Plankton Sorting and Identification Center in Poland. Net 2 of the 505  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh was first sorted for larval fish and these were preserved in ethanol for later identification or genetic analysis (see below, *Ichthyoplankton*). Next, the rapid zooplankton analysis (RZA) was performed to generate rough counts of the zooplankton abundance and community composition. During the RZA, specific taxa of interest were picked from the sample and frozen at  $-80\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  for later total lipid and fatty acid analysis. At selected stations, a subsample of the zooplankton was then preserved for stable isotope analysis. Finally, the whole sample was preserved in formalin for later transfer to Jared Weems (UAF) who will enumerate and identify the crab larvae present in the sample as part of his PhD project. For the 153  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh sample, a similar procedure was followed. The RZA analysis was done on the sample, but no individual taxa were collected. Rather, the sample was further sieved through a 505  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh net to remove larger individuals; one subsample was preserved for total lipid and fatty acid analyses and another for stable isotope analysis.

The RZA was performed at every grid station, three stations along the Chukchi slope, and one transect in the Beaufort Sea (Fig. D1). Small copepods ( $< 2\text{ mm}$ ) were found in abundance throughout the Chukchi Sea with an average abundance of  $2.89 \pm 0.71\text{ SD log}_{10}\text{ individuals m}^{-3}$ . Small copepods had lower abundances in the northern portion of the grid and increased as the survey progressed southward. The small copepods were primarily represented by *Pseudocalanus* spp., *Oithona* spp., *Metridia* spp., and *Acartia* spp. Large copepod ( $> 2\text{ mm}$ ) abundances were low throughout the northern portion of the grid, particularly in the northwestern portion where very few large copepods were observed ( $< 3\text{ individuals per m}^{-3}$ ). Abundances peaked in the northeastern corner of the survey grid, near the Chukchi Slope, and were also slightly higher in the southern portion of the grid. The primary large copepod encountered was *Calanus marshallae/glacialis* (co-occurring species that are difficult to tell apart). We also observed several individual *Calanus hyperboreus*, a larger, Arctic copepod, in the net samples. This suggests that colder water from the Arctic basin was being transported into the eastern portion of the Chukchi Sea. Euphausiid abundances were highly variable throughout the grid and this was expected as euphausiids are more effective at net avoidance, particularly during the day. We observed increased abundances of small euphausiids (furcilia stage) in the northeast portion of the survey grid. Adult euphausiids were observed in very small numbers along the Chukchi slope (data not shown). Finally, we observed decapods (shrimp larvae, crab zoea, and crab megalopae) only in the northern portion of the grid and high numbers were observed in the northwest portion of the grid.

Shallow stations, those less than 30 meters depth, were dominated by larvae of benthic invertebrates. In particular the pelagic larvae of echinoderms, bivalves and to a lesser extent Pagurids (hermit crab family). *Calanus hyperboreus*, a large calanoid copepod, ( $\approx 8\text{mm}$ ) was observed at the deepest stations of the Beaufort transect. This copepod is considered an indicator of Atlantic water. Average salinity and temperature recorded using a FastCat at the bottom of

zooplankton tows where *C. hyperboreus* were found were 34.3 and -0.3 °C. During the time of sampling both currents and winds were coming from the North possibly pushing deeper water with *C. hyperboreus* up onto the shelf. Highest abundances of zooplankton taxa important as prey resources for Arctic fish and mammals, large calanoid copepods (~4mm) and Euphausiids, were associated with bottom temperatures below 2°C and salinity greater than 32 (Fig. D2). Movement of colder/saltier water up onto the shelf from arctic basin possibly supports higher abundances of these taxa. Small zooplankton taxa other than copepods were the most abundant over all, these were associated with the bottom water profile of Alaska Coastal water, where salinity was less than 31 and temperatures were above 8 °C (Fig. D3).

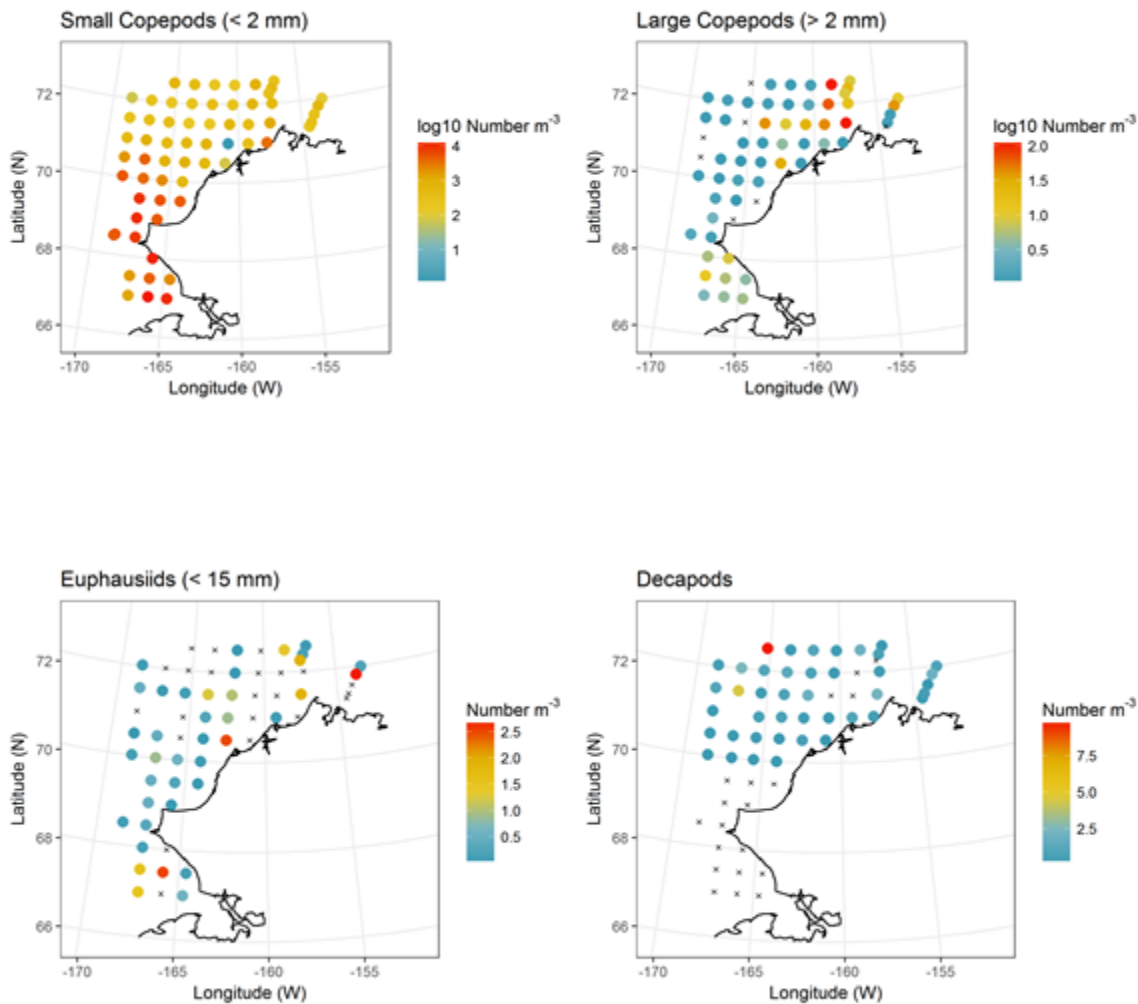


Fig. D1: Zooplankton abundance as determined from Rapid Zooplankton Analysis (RZA) for four broad categories. Each dot represents a Bongo tow at a station and x represents a sample was taken, but the abundance was zero. Note the different scales, for small and large copepods, abundances are  $\log_{10}$ -transformed for easier visualization of patterns. Euphausiids and decapods are shown as untransformed abundances (number  $m^{-3}$ ).

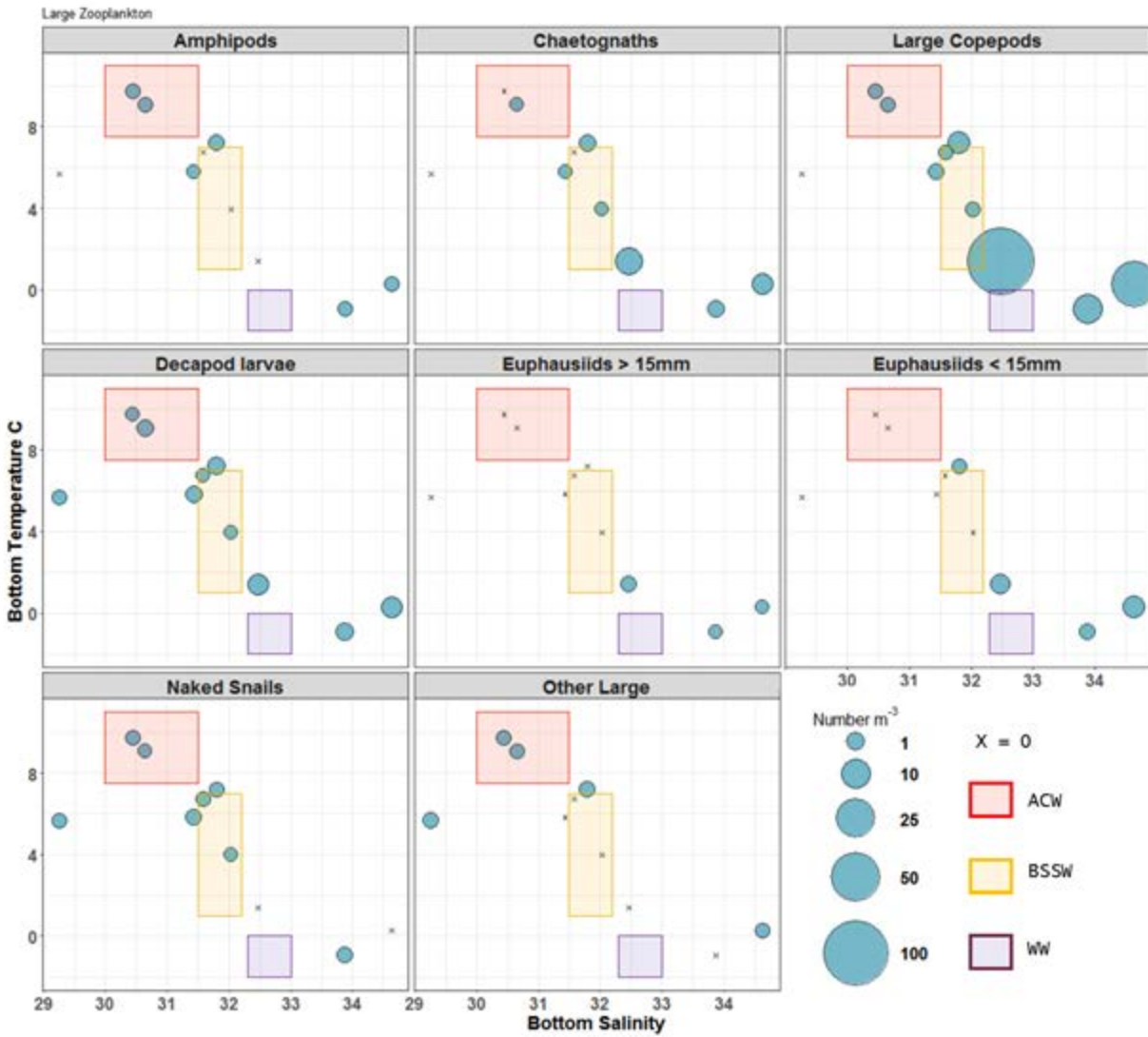


Fig. D2: Abundance of large zooplankton by temperature and salinity from Rapid Zooplankton Analysis on leg 1.

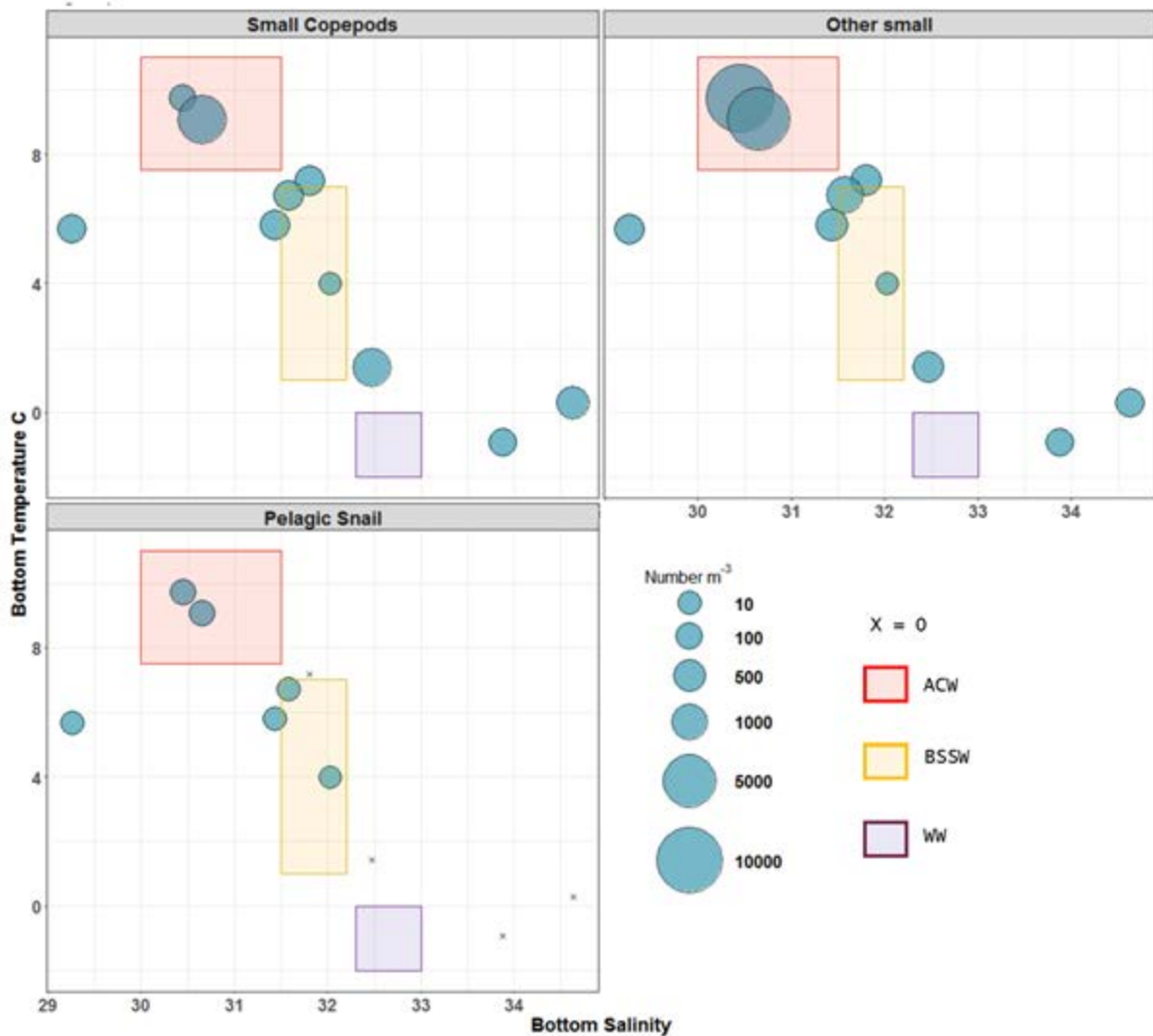


Fig. D3: Abundance of small zooplankton by temperature and salinity from Rapid Zooplankton Analysis on leg 1.

### Ichthyoplankton

Larval fish were collected using a paired Bongo net frame mounted with two 60-cm diameter, 505  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh nets and two 20-cm, 153  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh nets that was towed in conjunction with a Seacat CTD profiler that recorded temperature and salinity (see above, *Zooplankton*).

Quantitative samples were preserved in formalin from one side of the paired 60-cm net at each station for later enumeration and measuring at the Plankton Sorting and Identification Center in Poland. All fish from the other side of the 60-cm net were identified to the lowest taxonomic level possible and preserved for special projects. Four target species (*Limanda aspera*, *Mallotus villosus*, *Boreogadus saida*, and *Eleginus gracilis*) were frozen for stable isotope analyses. All other species were preserved in 95% ethanol for future studies. If fish of the target taxa were

found in the non-quantitative 20 cm bongo net (net 2, 153  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh), then they were also frozen for stable isotope analyses. Additionally, zooplankton from net 2 of the 505  $\mu\text{m}$  and 153  $\mu\text{m}$  nets were frozen from a subset of stations for stable isotope analyses.

A total of 93 fish were collected from Bongo nets, with 11 samples preserved in ethanol for future studies and the remainder frozen for stable isotope analyses. The most abundant taxon was *Boreogadus saida* (Table D1), particularly at higher latitude stations and with decreasing frequency towards the southern portion of the grid (Fig. D4). *Eleginus gracilis* were less common but were also collected at high latitude stations. *Mallotus villosus* were present closer to shore and in the northern portion of the grid, and *Limanda aspera* were encountered at lower latitude stations and were not present in the northern portion of the sample grid (Fig. D4). In addition to the four target taxa, five additional taxa were present (Table D1).

Table D1: Samples collected from Bongo nets that were either frozen for stable isotope studies or preserved in ethanol for future work. Gear refers to either 60 cm Bongo nets (505  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh) or 20 cm Bongo nets (153  $\mu\text{m}$  mesh). Zooplankton samples are frozen bulk samples for stable isotope work. All taxonomic identifications and preliminary and require additional verification.

<b>Taxa</b>	<b>Gear</b>	<b>Count</b>
<i>Ammodytes hexapterus</i>	60BON	6
Agonidae	60BON	4
<i>Boreogadus saida</i>	20BON	3
<i>Boreogadus saida</i>	60BON	25
<i>Eleginus gracilis</i>	60BON	6
<i>Limanda aspera</i>	20BON	2
<i>Limanda aspera</i>	60BON	6
Liparid	60BON	4
<i>Mallotus villosus</i>	60BON	6
Stichaeid	60BON	2
Unidentified <i>Boreogadus</i>	60BON	21
Unidentified <i>Mallotus</i>	60BON	6



Zoarcidae	60BON	2
Zooplankton	60BON	9
Zooplankton	20BON	31

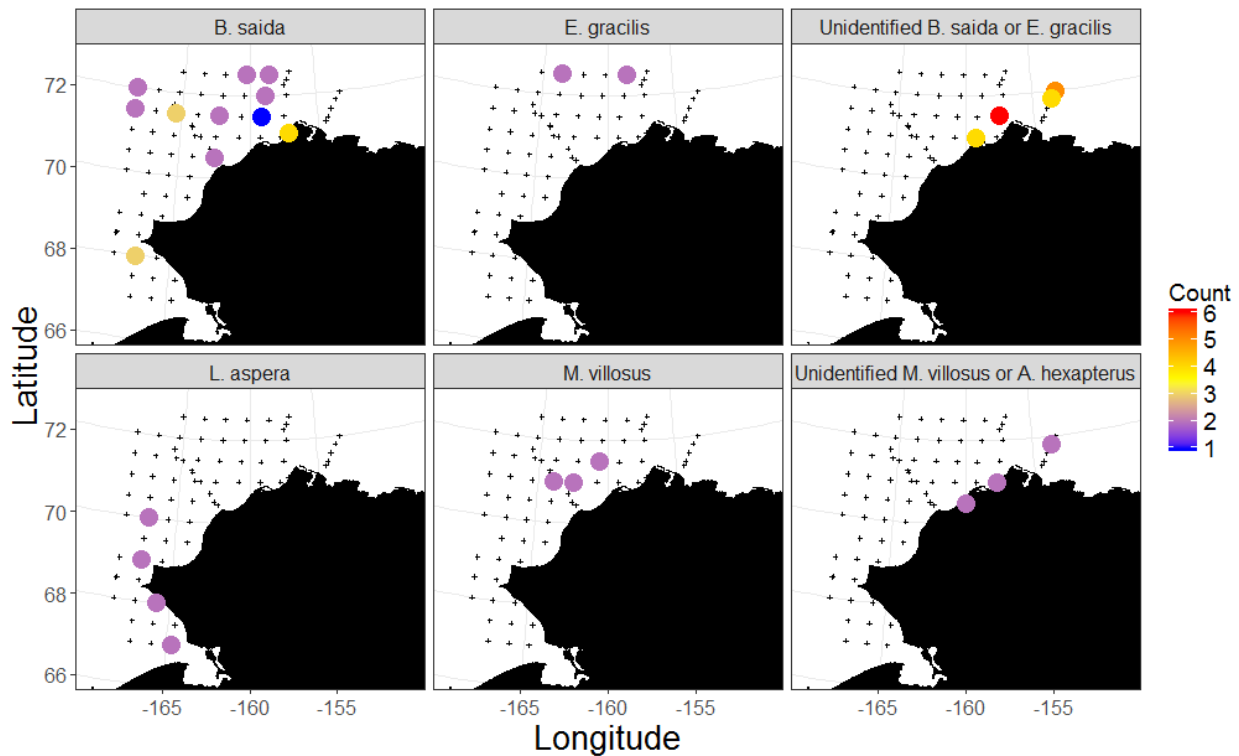


Fig. D4: Distribution of larval fish samples collected for stable isotope studies from four target species: *Boreogadus saida* (*B. saida*), *Eleginus gracilis* (*E. gracilis*), *Limanda aspera* (*L. aspera*), *Mallotus villosus* (*M. villosus*). Color represents the number of individuals collected at each station and the black crosses are stations in which no fish were preserved.

## E. FATTY ACIDS (Lisa Eisner, Ron Heintz, Louise Copeman, Johanna Vollenweider)

Fatty acid and total lipid samples were collected for zooplankton and seston (particles < 200  $\mu\text{m}$  (microzooplankton, phytoplankton and detritus) at all grid stations sampled. Samples for zooplankton were kindly provided by Nissa Ferm, Dave Kimmel and Adam Spear (NOAA EcoFOCI) from vertical net tows. Large zooplankton (individuals), small zooplankton bulk samples and seston from water samples (filtered onto GFF filters) were stored frozen for later analysis of fatty acids and total lipids. This data will be used to determine what types of fatty acids (e.g. markers for different phytoplankton) are found in different water masses and if and where these fatty acids move up the food web to different zooplankton and larval fish species

(samples collected in the surface and midwater trawls). Samples will be analyzed by the Alaska Fisheries Science Center, Juneau Alaska and at the Northwest Fisheries Science Center, Newport Oregon.

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## **F. FISHING**

Three types of trawls were used to sample Arctic fishes:

- a) Surface Trawl to enumerate juvenile salmon
- b) Midwater Trawl to groundtruth midwater acoustic targets
- c) Bottom Trawl to describe benthic communities

Tests were completed during Leg 1 to optimize fishing performance of two pelagic trawls. The larger Nordic trawl was configured to fish only at the ocean surface, and the smaller Marinovich trawl was configured to fish in midwater. Additional setback was added to the larger Nordic trawl to increase the vertical mouth opening, and modifications were made to the trawl doors' V-rigging. As the smaller Marinovich midwater trawl was fished for the first time with rope bridles and the Nordic trawl X-Lite trawl doors, substantial efforts were made to determine the appropriate weight for the footrope to obtain the specified trawl mouth opening and to reduce the amount of trawl warp needed to get the trawl to the targeted depth.

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## **G. DEMERSAL FISH AND INVERTEBRATES (Libby Logerwell, Dan Cooper)**

### **Bottom Trawls**

The 3m Plumb Staff Beam Trawl was deployed at 59 predetermined stations. One station was sampled in the Beaufort Sea, in relatively shallow water (25 m water depth). Epibenthic invertebrates dominated the catch, making up 94% of the total catch weight. The top 10 fish taxa caught (by biomass) were sculpins, Arctic Cod, pricklebacks, Bering Flounder, Yellowfin Sole, Walleye Pollock and Saffron Cod (Table G1). The Pollock were 10.3 – 16.7 cm in length and thus likely immature. The top 10 invertebrate taxa caught (by biomass) were brittlestars, *Psolus* sp. (Holothuroidea), Snow Crab, starfish, clams, sponges, and tubeworms. The Snow Crab were smaller than commercially-viable size, although ovigerous females were caught at two stations during Leg 2, CH-L01 and CH-L02 (71° 30.32' N 166° 57.34' W and 71° 30.19' N 168° 31.25' W, respectively). Figs. G1-G6 show the distribution of Arctic Cod, Saffron cod, Snow Crab, Walleye Pollock, and flatfish.

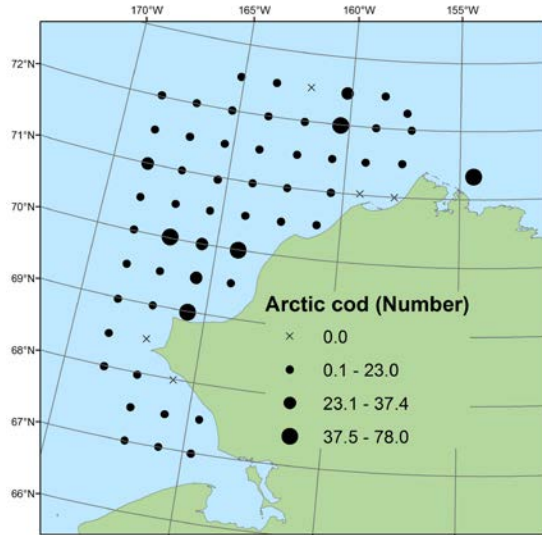


Fig. G1: Distribution of Arctic cod catch

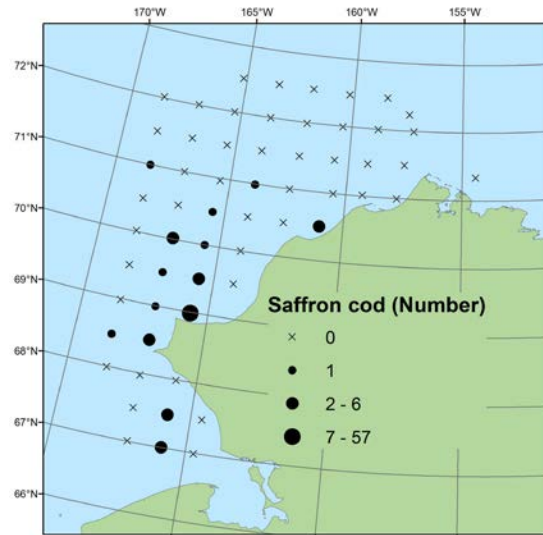


Fig. G2: Distribution of Saffron cod catch

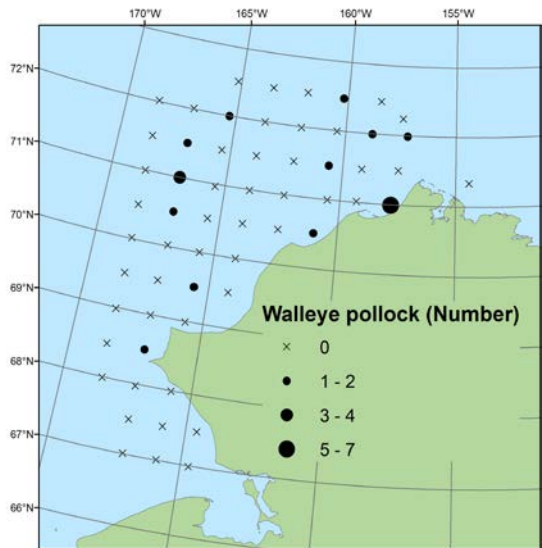


Fig. G3: Distribution of Walleye pollock catch

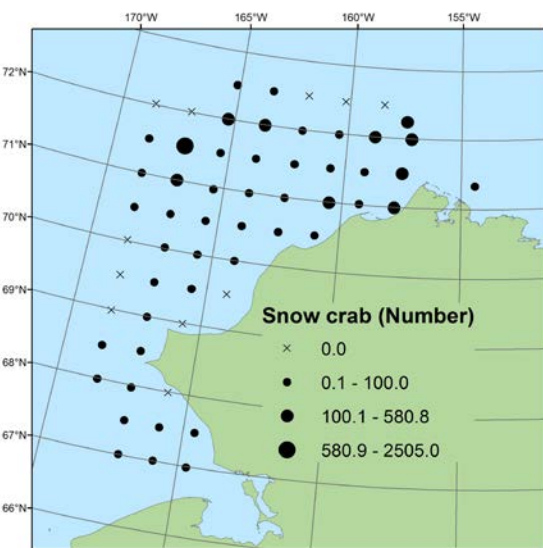


Fig. G4: Distribution of Snow crab catch

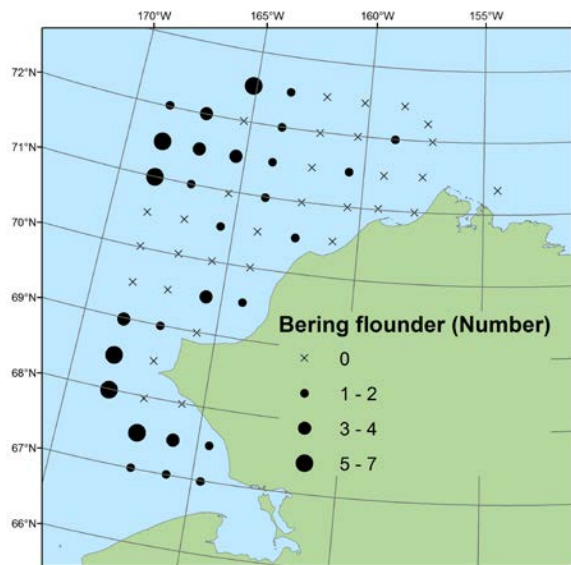


Fig. G5: Distribution of Bering flounder catch

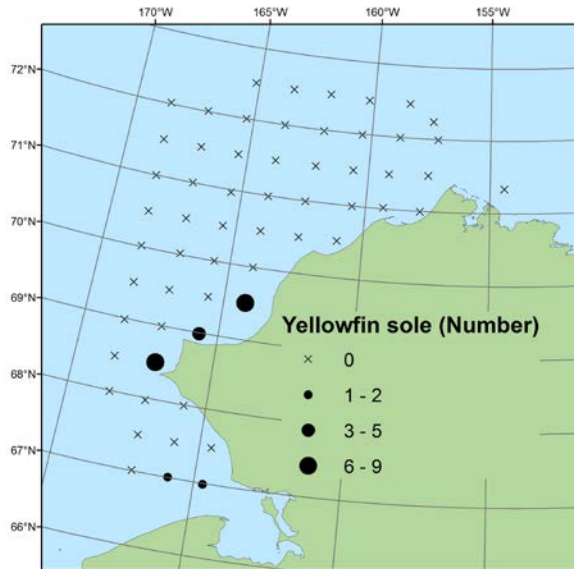


Fig. G6: Distribution of Yellowfin sole catch

**Table G1:** Preliminary numbers and weight (kg) of fishes (and snow crab) by species, common name, and Inupiat name caught in the 3m Plumb Staff Beam Trawl. Numbers and weight are “raw” catch and have not been standardized to distance traveled; some species identifications have yet to be confirmed.

Species	Common Name	Inupiaq Name	Weight (kg)	Number
<i>Chionoecetes opilio</i>	Snow crab		52.57	6145
<i>Gymnocanthus tricuspis</i>	Arctic staghorn sculpin	Kanayuq	1.87	456
<i>Boreogadus saida</i>	Arctic cod	Iqalugaq	1.74	803
<i>Myoxocephalus scorpius</i>	Shorthorn (Warty) sculpin	Kanayuq	1.45	456
<i>Anisarchus medius</i>	Stout eelblenny		0.94	271
<i>Hippoglossoides robustus</i>	Bering flounder		0.81	75

<i>Lumpenus sagitta</i>	Snake prickleback		0.66	297
<i>Arteidiellus scaber</i>	Hamecon	Kanayuq	0.46	197
<i>Limanda aspera</i>	Yellowfin sole		0.36	25
<i>Gadus chalcogrammus</i>	Walleye pollock		0.33	24
<i>Eleginus gracilis</i>	Saffron cod	Uugaq	0.25	92
<i>Icelus spatula</i>	Spatulate sculpin	Kanayuq	0.20	52
<i>Lycodes polaris</i>	Canadian eelpout		0.17	101
<i>Stichaeus punctatus</i>	Arctic shanny		0.11	37
<i>Ammodytes</i>	sand lance unid.		0.10	30
<i>Lycodes mucosus</i>	Saddled eelpout		0.10	15
<i>Gadus macrocephalus</i>	Pacific cod		0.09	26
<i>Aspidophoroides olrikii</i>	Arctic alligatorfish		0.08	102
<i>Leptoclinus maculatus</i>	Daubed shanny		0.07	16
Pleuronectiformes	Flatfish unident.		0.07	11
<i>Triglops pingeli</i>	Ribbed sculpin	Kanayuq	0.06	19
<i>Gymnelus</i> sp.		Kanayuq	0.05	17
<i>Lumpenus</i> sp.			0.05	86
<i>Liparis</i> sp.			0.05	80

<i>Nautichthys pribilovius</i>	Eyeshade sculpin	Kanayuq	0.05	15
<i>Lycodes</i> sp.			0.05	4
<i>Lycodes polaris</i>	Polar eelpout		0.05	8
<i>Lycodes palearis</i>	Wattled eelpout		0.04	27
<i>Gymnelus hemifasciatus</i>	Halfbarred pout		0.03	12
<i>Mallotus villosus</i>	Capelin	Panmagrak	0.03	9
<i>Limanda proboscidea</i>	Longhead dab		0.02	4
<i>Eumesogrammus praecisus</i>	Fourline snakeblenny		0.02	2
<i>Hexagrammos stelleri</i>	Whitespotted greenling		0.02	2
<i>Gymnocanthus galeatus</i>	Armorhead sculpin	Kanayuq	0.01	1
<i>Gymnelus viridis</i>	Fish doctor		0.01	1
<i>Limanda sakhalinensis</i>	Sakhalin sole		0.01	1
<i>Myoxocephalus polyacanthocephalus</i>	Great sculpin	Kanayuq	0.01	7
<i>Clupea pallasii</i>	Pacific herring	Uqsruqtuuq	0.01	1
<i>Icelus bicornis</i>	Two Horn Sculpin	Kanayuq	0.01	1
Cottidae	Sculpin unident.	Kanayuq	0.01	21
<i>Myoxocephalus</i> sp.		Kanayuq	0.003	2

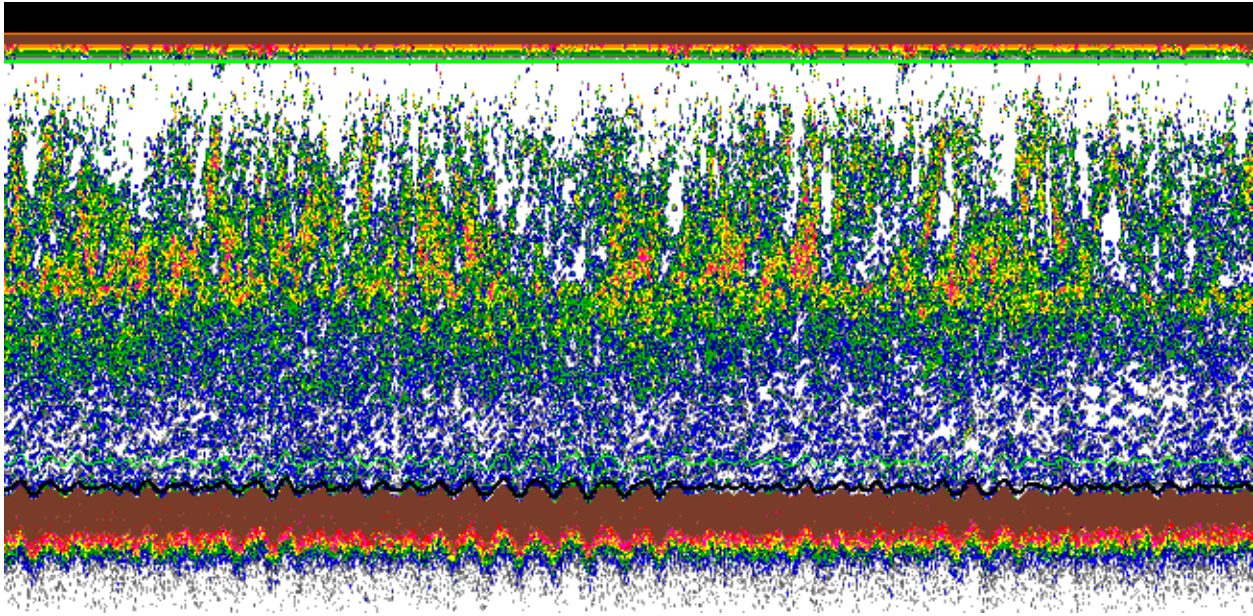
Ammodytes hexapterus	Arctic Sand Lance		0.002	1
Hypsagonus quadricornis	Fourhorn poacher		0.002	2
Podothecus veterus	Veteran poacher		0.002	2
Icelus sp.		Kanayug	0.001	1
Liparis gibbus	Variegated snailfish		0.001	2

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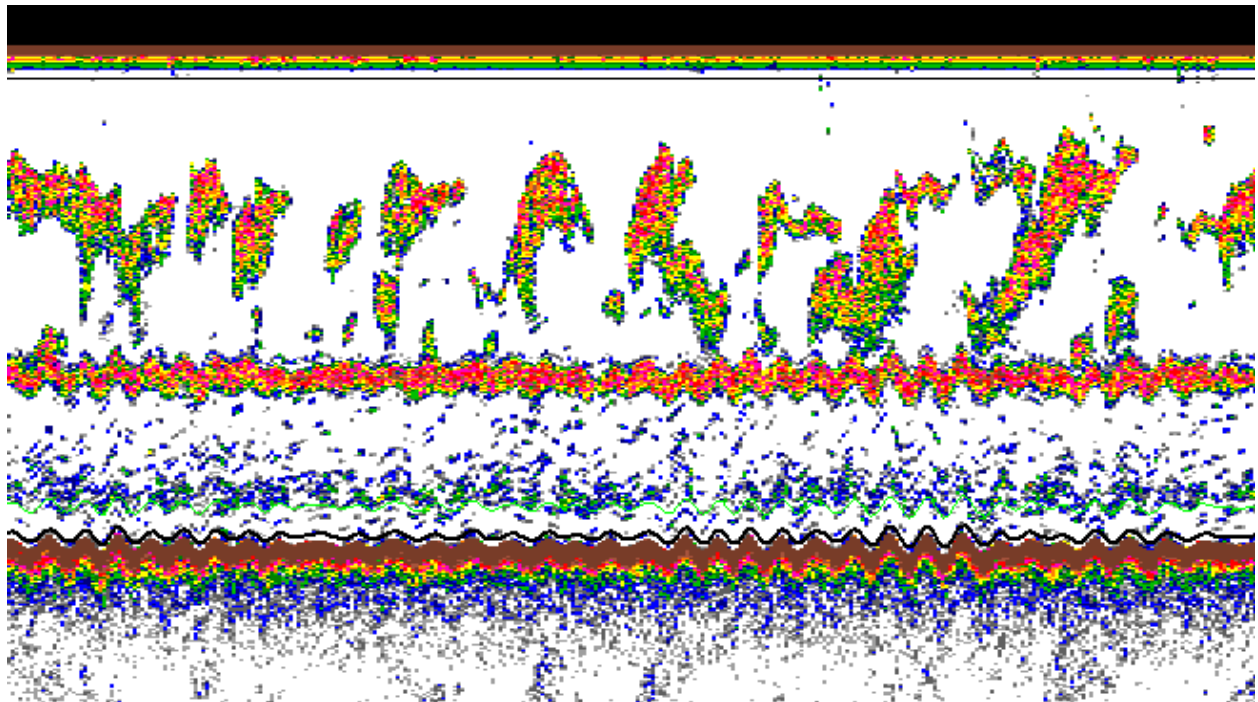
## H. MIDWATER FISHES/ACOUSTICS (Robert Levine, Alex De Robertis, Chris Wilson)

### Active Acoustics

Acoustic data were collected using a Simrad EK60 scientific echosounder operating at 38 and 120 kHz during the the survey. Acoustic backscatter was detected along much of the survey trackline. Vertical distribution was variable, ranging from within the upper 20 m of the ocean surface to near the seafloor depending on location. A separate deep backscatter layer was observed off the shelf in the North Chukchi and Beaufort Seas. However, this layer was never sampled due to vessel limitations. The greatest intensity of acoustic backscatter was found in the Chukchi Sea between 70 and 71.5 °N in areas where age-0 arctic cod were captured in midwater trawls (see Table H1 below). Most of the backscatter was attributed to age-0 Arctic cod. Preliminary results suggest that acoustic backscatter from Arctic cod was greater and more widespread in 2017 than in the earlier 2012 and 2013 surveys.



**Fig. H1:** Water column backscatter along a transect in the North Chukchi Sea. A midwater trawl conducted in the vicinity (20 minutes duration at 1.8 kts) caught 8,544 age-0 Arctic cod, 36 jellyfish, 13 pricklebacks and 1 sculpin.



**Fig. H2:** Water column backscatter along a transect in the Central Chukchi Sea. A midwater trawl conducted in the vicinity (20 minutes duration at 2.2 kts) caught 18,517 age-0 Arctic cod, 3,146 pricklebacks, 740 sand lance, 520 capelin, and 54 jellyfish (5 other species represented the remaining catch of 50 individuals). Age-0 Arctic cod and jellyfish comprised 33% and 51% of the catch by weight, respectively.



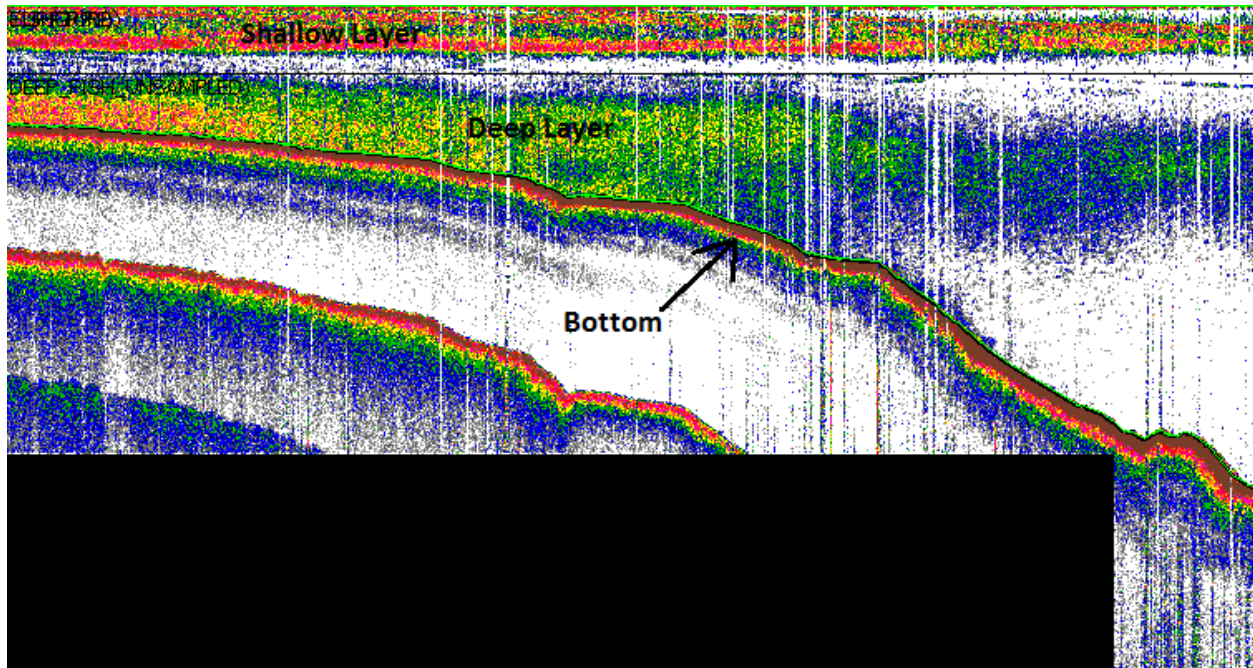


Fig. H3: Acoustic backscatter in deep water of the Beaufort shelfbreak. A distinct deep scattering layer occurred at depth of approx. 100 m and persisted into deep water. Net sampling at the depth of the layer was not possible due to vessel constraints.

### Midwater Trawl Hauls

A twice modified Marinovich trawl (hereafter mod2-Marinovich) with a 2x3 mm hexagonal codend liner was deployed with 3m X-Lite trawl doors for midwater sampling. Nine fine-mesh (2x3 mm) recapture (pocket) nets were attached to the outside of the trawl to quantify escapement. A total of 33 midwater trawl hauls were conducted throughout the survey area to characterize the backscatter along the survey trackline. Two of these hauls were conducted in the Beaufort Sea. The net opening was approximately 8.2 m vertically by 7.5 m horizontally for all hauls. The average headrope depth ranged from 11.4m to 46.8 m, and average vessel trawling speed was 2.2 knots.

Age-0 Arctic cod was the dominant species captured. This species was present throughout the entire survey area, and accounted for 91.5% of the total catch by numbers and 14.6% by weight based on all midwater trawl hauls (Table H1). The average number of age-0 Arctic cod in each trawl haul was 13,364 (range 16 to ~34,300). The mean fork length of Arctic cod in the trawl catches ranged from 32 to 62 mm.

Euphausiids (3.2%), capelin (1.3%), and various stichaeids (1.1%) were the next most abundant species after age-0 Arctic cod. Jellyfish dominated the catch by weight with *Chrysaora melanaster* contributing 51.2% and *Cyanea* spp. contributing 29.9%. Saffron cod and Pacific cod increased in abundance in the southern area of the survey and in midwater trawl hauls near Kotzebue Sound, but only accounted for 0.12% and 0.02% of the catch by weight, respectively (Table H1).

**Table H1:** Preliminary numbers and weight (kg) of fishes and invertebrates by species, common name, and Inupiat name caught in the midwater trawl. Numbers and weight are “raw” catch and have not been standardized to distance traveled.

<b>Species</b>	<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Inupiaq Name</b>	<b>Weight (kg)</b>	<b>Number</b>
<i>Aequorea</i> sp.	Aequorea jellyfish		1.881	8.7692
Amphipoda	Amphipod		0.2416	677.6622
<i>Aspidophoroides olrikii</i>	Arctic alligatorfish		0.0159	37.4281
<i>Boreogadus saida</i>	Arctic cod	Iqalugaq	312.950	441011.9
<i>Gymnocanthus tricuspis</i>	Arctic staghorn sculpin	Kanayuq	0.3408	417.9049
<i>Aurelia</i> sp.	Aurelia jellyfish		11.793	246.8183
<i>Anarhichas orientalis</i>	Bering wolffish		0.006	1
<i>Mallotus villosus</i>	Capelin	Panmagrak	17.2446	6093.834
<i>Chrysaora melanaster</i>	Chrysaora jellyfish		1094.35	1193.074
<i>Neocrangon</i> sp.	Crangon shrimp		0.0267	51.4937
<i>Blepsias bilobus</i>	Crested sculpin	Kanayuq	0.038	3
Crustacea sp.	Crustacean larvae		0.001	2
<i>Leptoclinus maculatus</i>	Daubed shanny		0.0373	43.7108
<i>Eualas gaimardi gaimardi</i>	Circumpolar eualid		0.001	1
Euphausiacea	Euphausiid (unidentified)		1.5728	15699.61
<i>Bugula plumosa</i>	Feathery bryozoan		0.001	1
Fish larvae (unidentified)			0.0122	17.7432
Flatfish larvae (unidentified)			0.001	1
<i>Gonatus kamtschaticus</i>	Gonate squid		0.281	26
<i>Pandalus borealis</i>	Greenland shrimp		0.001	2
<i>Reinhardtius hippoglossoides</i>	Greenland turbot		0.008	1
<i>Arteidiellus scaber</i>	Hamecon	Kanayuq	0.9996	2187.677
Jellyfish (Unidentified)			0.9015	152.7342
<i>Arguis lar</i>	Kuro argid		0.002	1
Agonidae sp.	Poacher (unidentified)		0.0048	4.8261
<i>Cyanea capillata</i>	Lions mane jellyfish		640.882	1550.522
<i>Limanda proboscidea</i>	Longhead dab	Nataagnaq	0.002	2

<i>Lumpenus</i> sp.	Pricklebacks		8.6882	9289.534
Mysidae	Mysid shrimp		0.0149	14.9032
<i>Gadus macrocephalus</i>	Pacific cod		0.3482	128.4805
<i>Pandalus</i> sp.	Pandalus shrimp		0.0086	8.6054
<i>Eleginus gracilis</i>	Saffron cod	Uugaq	2.6489	1018.634
Cottidae	Sculpin (unidentified)	Kanayuuq	0.002	4
<i>Echinocardium cordatum</i>	Sea potato		0.069	2
<i>Myoxocephalus scorpius</i>	Shorthorn sculpin	Kanayuuq	1.5436	81.6176
Shrimp (unidentified)			0.0086	25.8161
<i>Lumpenus fabricii</i>	Slender eelblenny		0.0914	207.5352
<i>Liparis</i> sp.	Snailfish (unidentified)		0.0338	56.9424
<i>Icelus spatula</i>	Spatulate sculpin	Kanayuuq	0.001	2
<i>Gonatus</i> sp.	Squid (unidentified)		0.005	2
<i>Staurophora mertensi</i>	Whitecross jellyfish		0.007	2
<i>Anisarchus medius</i>	Stout eelblenny		0.0149	34.1289
<i>Podothecus veterinus</i>	Veteran poacher		0.001	1
<i>Gadus chalcogrammus</i>	Walleye pollock		0.002	1
<i>Aurelia limbata</i>	Brown rimmed jellyfish		39.423	445.9633
<i>Ammodytes</i> sp.	Sandlance	Panmaksraq	1.9239	1447.808

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## I. SURFACE FISHES (Ed Farley, Kristin Cieciel, and Johanna Vollenweider)

The 264 Nordic Rope Trawl with 3m X-Lite doors was deployed for half-hour tows at 17 pre-determined nearshore stations. One haul was in the Beaufort Sea and sixteen hauls in the Chukchi Sea. The most numerous organisms caught in the surface trawl included jellyfish (34%) that included cyanea and *Chrysaora melanaster*, gadids (32%) of which age-0 Arctic cod dominated, cottids (17%) which were mostly staghorn sculpin, and osmerids (10%) made up of capelin (Table II). Species caught in much smaller numbers (<3%) included Pacific Sand lance, Pacific Herring, and Walleye Pollock. By weight, jellyfish dominated the catch (99%), and was comprised of *Cyanea* (61%) and *Chrysaora melanaster* Jellyfish (38%). One juvenile pink salmon was captured in the surface trawl near Kotzebue Sound.

**Table II:** Preliminary numbers and weight (kg) of fishes by species, common name, and Inupiat name caught in the Nordic 264 surface trawl. Numbers and weight are “raw” catch and have not been standardized to net opening or distance traveled.

Family	Species	Common Name	Inupiat Name	Number	Weight
Aequoreidae	Aequorea sp.	Jellyfish		12	3.026
Ammodytidae	Ammodytes	Sandlance	Panmaksraq	89	0.075
Anarhichadidae	Anarhichas	Bering wolffish		6	0.143
Clupeidae	Clupea pallasii	Pacific herring	Uqsruqtuuq	51	1.18
Cottidae	Arctediellus scaber	Hamecon		24	0.033
	Myoxocephalus	Shorthorn sculpin	Kanayuq	521	1.094
Cyaneidae	Cyanea capillata	Jellyfish		667	407.806
Cyclopteridae	Eumicrotremus	Pimpled		1	0.03
Gadidae	Boreogadus saida	Arctic cod/	Iqalugaq	937	0.653
	Gadus	Pacific cod		57	0.194
	Eleginus gracilis	Saffron	Uugaq	36	0.134
	Gadus	Walleye pollock		1	0.026
Gonatidae	Gonatus	Squid		3	0.042
	Gonatus sp.	Squid		5	0.036
Haloclavidae	Peachia	Anemone		10	0.002
Hemipteridae	Blepsias bilobus	Crested sculpin	Kanayuk	1	0.126
	Jellyfish (unid)	Jellyfish		16	0.071
Laodiceidae	Staurophora	Jellyfish		1	0.026
Liparidae	Liparis gibbus	Variegated		1	0.012
Osmeridae	Mallotus	Pacific capelin	Panmaksraq	317	1.294
Pelagiidae	Chrysaora	Jellyfish		400	254.697
Pleuronectidae	Flatfish unid.			1	0.001

	Limanda	Longhead dab	Nataagnaq	31	0.012
	Platichthys	Starry flounder	Nataagnaq	1	0.232
	Limanda aspera	Yellowfin sole		1	0.065
Salmonidae	Onchorynchus	Pink salmon	Amaqtuuq	1	0.041
Stichaeidae	Lumpenus sp.			4	0.001
	Lumpenus fabricii	Slender eelblenny		22	0.003
	Lumpenus sagitta	Snake prickleback		2	0.001
Zaproridae	Zaprora silenus	Prowfish		1	0.116

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## J. JELLYFISH (Kristin Cieciel)

Macro jellyfish were sampled through the three types of trawl gear, the Nordic 264, Marinovich and 3m Beam. The most abundant species by weight for all gear (combined catch weights of all three trawls) was *Chrysaora melanaster* at 54% of the total jellyfish catch followed by *Cyanea capillata* at 42%, and *Aurelia labiata* at 3%. Species in low numbers but still present were noted for *Aequorea sp.*, *Staurophora mertensii*, *Aurelia sp.* and one species of unidentified Ctenophore, these combined made up less than 1% of the total jellyfish catch. Noticeable differences between gear were seen with the beam trawl which was only catching jellies in small numbers during deployment and retrieval but it managed to sample all major species. Differences were also noted between areas, Leg 1 Chukchi/Beaufort and Leg 3 Southern Chukchi had higher catches for *Cyanea capillata* than Leg 2 Northern Chukchi which had higher catches of *Chrysaora melanaster* because survey areas, trawling types, and sample numbers varied greatly it is difficult to conclude anything other than what is currently stated for preliminary reporting.

Dipnetting of jellyfish occurred over all three legs but only two successful sampling events occurred over the 63 days of survey. Leg 1 had one location where 3 species were netted and Leg 3 had one location on the last day of sampling where 10 samples were collected. The major reason for the lack of jellyfish samples through dipnetting was due to wind. Wind presence over 15kn makes it difficult view just below the surface of the water and also makes it difficult to physically catch animals by putting a 14 foot net over the side. The 13 samples of various gelatinous species were preserved and will be worked up for diets.

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## **K. MARINE BIRDS AND MARINE MAMMALS (Kathy Kuletz, Liz Labunski, Marty Reedy)**

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### **Background**

Marine bird surveys were conducted by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) observers, with support to USFWS via an Interagency Agreement with the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (M17PG00017) for project AK-16-07C: Seabird Community Structure and Seabird-Prey Dynamics. This study examines the distribution of marine birds relative to prey and oceanographic properties, and timing of use by marine birds in the Beaufort and Chukchi Planning Areas. Marine bird surveys were conducted while the ship was underway from Dutch Harbor on August 1 until the end of the cruise in Nome on October 4. In this report we summarize data collected during all three legs of the ArcticIERP project. Marine bird and mammal data from these surveys will be uploaded to the ArcticIERP workspace and archived in the North Pacific Pelagic Seabird Database (<http://alaska.usgs.gov/science/biology/nppsd>).

### **Methods**

Marine birds and mammals were surveyed from the starboard side of the bridge using standard USFWS protocols, during daylight hours while the vessel was underway. The observer scanned the water ahead of the ship using hand-held 10x 42 binoculars if necessary for identification and recorded all birds and mammals within a 300-m arc extending 90° from the bow to the beam. We used strip transect methodology and four distance bins extending from the vessel: 0-50 m, 51-100 m, 101-200 m, and 201-300 m and recorded the animal's behavior (flying, on water, foraging). Rare birds, large flocks, and mammals beyond 300 m or on the port side (off-transect) were also recorded but will not be included in density calculations. Birds on the water or actively foraging were counted continuously. Flying birds were recorded during quick 'Scans' of the transect window (typically every 65 or 97 seconds), at intervals based on ship speed.

Observations were entered directly into a GPS-integrated laptop computer using the program DLOG3 (A.G. Ford Consultants, Portland, OR). Location data was also recorded automatically at 20 sec intervals, providing continuous records on weather, Beaufort Sea State, ice coverage, glare, and observation conditions. In addition, during this cruise the data management system CLAMS was used by the science crew to log of sampling events for future reference. Seabird surveys were entered into the system by recording the start and end points of the survey effort while the vessel was underway.

## **Preliminary Results and Discussion**

We surveyed a total of 6,565 km from Aug 1 – Oct 4, 2017 during which we recorded a total of 37,465 birds on-transect (Table K1) in the Bering and Chukchi Sea. A small number of transects (totaling 242 km) were surveyed in the western-most portion of the Beaufort Sea, which for this report are combined with Chukchi Sea observations. The breakdown of survey effort by cruise leg was 2,759 km, 2,217 km, 1,579 km, legs 1 – 3, respectively. By Region we surveyed 1,670 km in the Bering Sea and recorded 9,808 birds of 38 identified marine bird species. In the Chukchi (and western Beaufort) we surveyed a total of 6,565 km and recorded 27,657 birds of 29 marine bird species, on-transect (within the 300 m transect window). Although surveys were conducted across the Bering and Chukchi seas, the summaries below focus on seabirds observed in the core ArcticIERP study area in the Chukchi Sea.

Short-tailed shearwater (*Ardenna tenuirostris*) was the most commonly observed species during the survey and comprised 65.6 % of total observations in the Chukchi Sea (Table K1).

Shearwaters were widely distributed across the survey area, with highest densities in offshore areas north of Icy Cape (Fig. K1), although they were largely absent north of 72°N. Shearwater densities observed during earlier 2017 surveys indicate that this species started moving into the study area in late June and increased and moved north in July and August. Only a few shearwaters were observed in the Chukchi Sea during the last days of the ASGARD cruise, which ended June 29, and numbers observed during the July AMBON cruise were a magnitude lower than those observed during ArcticIERP. In addition to much higher densities in August and September, shearwaters were farther north than during earlier surveys.

Three species of auklets, crested auklets (*Aethia cristatella*), least auklets (*A. pusilla*), and parakeet auklets (*A. psittacula*) comprised a total of 15.5 % of the total observations in the Chukchi (Table K1). Crested auklets were the most prevalent and comprised 90 % of identified auklets. The highest densities of crested auklets were north of 71°N in the northwestern part of the study area (Fig. K2). Much smaller numbers of least auklets were recorded in this area. Parakeet auklets were mainly in the southern Chukchi Sea near Point Hope.

Black-legged kittiwakes (*Rissa tridactyla*) were the third most commonly observed species during the survey, comprising 5.2 % of total birds (Table K1). Kittiwakes were primarily in the southern Chukchi Sea, with particularly high densities from offshore of Point Hope to northwest of Cape Lisburne, in the vicinity of breeding colonies (Fig. K3.) Glaucous gulls (*Larus hyperboreus*) were more widely distributed and in much lower numbers. We observed a concentration of Sabine's gulls (*Xema sabini*) and Arctic terns (*Sterna paradisaea*) along Barrow Canyon (Fig. K3); both species are surface feeders and similar in their diets of small fish and crustaceans.

Murres (*Uria spp.*) represented 4.9 % of total observations, with thick-billed murres (*U. lomivia*) comprising most of the identified murres (Table K1). Thick-billed murres were distributed across the study area south of 72°N with highest densities in offshore waters northwest of Cape Lisburne, near breeding colonies (Fig. K4). Common murres (*U. aalge*) had a similar distribution but in much lower densities.

Phalaropes (*Phalaropus spp.*) were patchily distributed across the study area and comprised 3.4 % of total observations (Table K1). Nearly all identified phalaropes were red phalaropes (*P. fulicarius*), but as most birds were molting it was difficult to distinguish red from red-necked (*P. lobatus*) phalaropes. Phalaropes were concentrated along Barrow Canyon and in offshore waters northwest of Icy Cape and Wainwright (Fig. K5). In the southern Chukchi Sea, phalaropes were mainly observed near Point Hope.

Seaducks tend to be nearshore, thus our offshore surveys don't capture the high densities along Chukchi coasts, and observations comprised < 0.6 % of total birds (Table K1). Most observations of seaducks were recorded off transect > 300 m from the vessel (Fig. K6). There was an aggregation, including off transect birds, of king eiders (*Somateria spectabilis*) near Icy Cape and spectacled eiders (*S. fischeri*) just outside Ledyard Bay (Fig. K6). Long-tailed duck (*Clangula hyemalis*) was the most abundant seaduck, particularly near Point Hope (Fig. K6).

We recorded three species of loons (*Gavia spp.*), with Pacific loon (*G. pacifica*) the most commonly identified species (Table K1). Loons were generally observed close to shore from Wainwright south to 67°N (Fig. K7). The numbers of loons observed during this Arctic IERP cruise was higher than normally encountered during offshore surveys in the Chukchi Sea.

We recorded marine mammals but because our survey protocol was for marine birds these observations cannot be used to calculate standard marine mammal densities. We recorded a total of 204 marine mammals on transect (within 300 m) and off transect (> 300 m or on port side of vessel) during surveys in the Bering and Chukchi seas (Table K2). Walrus was the most abundant marine mammal observed, with the majority concentrated offshore between Icy Cape and Wainwright (Fig. K8). Cetaceans were recorded in small numbers, with most Gray whales offshore of Wainwright (Fig. K9). Farther south, small groups of cetaceans were in offshore waters of the DBO3 line extending off Point Hope and south towards Bering Strait. In addition, we recorded two deceased marine mammals; these could not be positively identified, but one appeared to be a pinniped and the other a whale. We submitted a report about the dead animals to Marine Mammal Stranding Network/NOAA, Juneau, AK.



Table K1. Birds recorded on-transect during 2017 ArcticIERP Marine Bird Surveys, August 1 – October 4.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Bering		Chukchi		Total
		No.	% Total	No.	% Total	
Common Loon	<i>Gavia immer</i>			2	0.01	2
Pacific Loon	<i>Gavia pacifica</i>	34	0.35	54	0.20	88
Red-throated Loon	<i>Gavia stellata</i>	2	0.02			2
Yellow-billed Loon	<i>Gavia adamsii</i>	1	0.01	1	0.00	2
Unid. Loon	<i>Gavia spp.</i>	16	0.16	10	0.04	26
Black-footed Albatross	<i>Phoebastria nigripes</i>	6	0.06			6
Laysan Albatross	<i>Phoebastria immutabilis</i>	20	0.20			20
Northern Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>	1885	19.22	507	1.83	2392
Short-tailed Shearwater	<i>Ardenna tenuirostri</i>	1564	15.95	18141	65.57	19705
Unid. Dark Shearwater	<i>Ardenna spp.</i>	3297	33.62	5	0.02	3302
Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel	<i>Oceanodroma furcata</i>	167	1.70	8	0.03	175
Unid. Procellariiformes	<i>Procellariid spp.</i>	8	0.08	2	0.01	10
Pelagic Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax pelagicus</i>	30	0.31	12	0.04	42
Red-faced Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax urile</i>	2	0.02			2
Cackling Canada Goose	<i>Branta hutchinsii</i>	1	0.01			1
Common Eider	<i>Somateria mollissima</i>			18	0.07	18
Harlequin Duck	<i>Histrionicus histrionicus</i>	4	0.04			4
King Eider	<i>Somateria spectabilis</i>	3	0.03	1	0.00	4
Long-tailed Duck	<i>Clangula hyemalis</i>	1	0.01	76	0.27	77
Spectacled Eider	<i>Somateria fischeri</i>			50	0.18	50
White-winged Scoter	<i>Melanitta fusca</i>	22	0.22			22
Unid. Eider	<i>Somateria spp.</i>	4	0.04	20	0.07	24
Unid. Duck	<i>Anatinae spp.</i>			2	0.01	2
Bald Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	1	0.01			1
Red Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus fulicarius</i>	41	0.42	215	0.78	256
Red-necked Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>	1	0.01			1
Unid. Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus spp.</i>	102	1.04	716	2.59	818
Unid. Shorebird	<i>Scolopacidae spp.</i>	1	0.01	6	0.02	7
Long-tailed Jaeger	<i>Stercorarius longicaudus</i>	3	0.03	1	0.00	4
Parasitic Jaeger	<i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i>	4	0.04	15	0.05	19
Pomarine Jaeger	<i>Stercorarius pomarinus</i>	14	0.14	36	0.13	50
Unid. Jaeger	<i>Stercorarius spp.</i>	1	0.01	10	0.04	11
Arctic Tern	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>	1	0.01	56	0.20	57
Unid. Tern	<i>Sterna spp.</i>			23	0.08	23
Black-legged Kittiwake	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>	1029	10.49	1432	5.18	2461
Glaucous Gull	<i>Larus hyperboreus</i>	67	0.68	100	0.36	167
Glaucous-winged Gull	<i>Larus glaucescens</i>	149	1.52	1	0.00	150
Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	1	0.01			1
Red-legged Kittiwake	<i>Rissa brevirostris</i>	13	0.13			13
Unid. Kittiwake	<i>Rissa spp.</i>	6	0.06			6
Sabine's Gull	<i>Xema sabini</i>			39	0.14	39
Unid. Gull	<i>Larid spp.</i>	5	0.05	8	0.03	13
Common Murre	<i>Uria aalge</i>	136	1.39	248	0.90	384
Thick-billed Murre	<i>Uria lomvia</i>	199	2.03	973	3.52	1172

Table K1 Continued. Birds recorded on-transect during 2017 ArcticIERP Surveys.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Bering		Chukchi		Total
		No.	% Total	No.	% Total	
Unidentified Murre	<i>Uria spp.</i>	57	0.58	123	0.44	180
Pigeon Guillemot	<i>Cephus columba</i>	16	0.16			16
Ancient Murrelet	<i>Synthliboramphus antiquus</i>	88	0.90	188	0.68	276
Brachyramphus Murrelet	<i>Brachyramphus spp.</i>	4	0.04			4
Kittlitz's Murrelet	<i>Brachyramphus brevirostris</i>			22	0.08	22
Marbled Murrelet	<i>Brachyramphus marmoratus</i>	5	0.05			5
Cassin's Auklet	<i>Ptychoramphus aleuticus</i>	24	0.24			24
Crested Auklet	<i>Aethia cristatella</i>	67	0.68	3859	13.95	3926
Least Auklet	<i>Aethia pusilla</i>	88	0.90	299	1.08	387
Parakeet Auklet	<i>Aethia psittacula</i>	92	0.94	137	0.50	229
Unid. Auklet	<i>Aethia spp.</i>	14	0.14	72	0.26	86
Horned Puffin	<i>Fratercula corniculata</i>	278	2.83	78	0.28	356
Tufted Puffin	<i>Fratercula cirrhata</i>	197	2.01	32	0.12	229
Unid. Puffin	<i>Fratercula spp.</i>	1	0.01			1
Unid. Alcid	<i>Alcid spp.</i>	36	0.37	52	0.19	88
Passerine spp.	<i>Passeriformes spp.</i>			2	0.01	2
Unid. Bird	<i>Aves spp.</i>			5	0.02	5
		9808		27657		37465

Table K2: Marine Mammals observed during 2017 ArcticIERP Marine Bird Surveys. 'On' transect observations were within the 300 m transect window on starboard side of the vessel. 'Off' transect observations were beyond the 300 m window or on the port side of the vessel.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Bering		Chukchi		Total
		On	Off	On	Off	
Dall's Porpoise	<i>Phocoenoides dalli</i>	5				5
Harbor Porpoise	<i>Phocoena phocoena</i>			4	3	7
Harbor Seal	<i>Phoca vitulina</i>	1				1
Northern Fur Seal	<i>Callorhinus ursinus</i>	6				6
Unidentified Seal	<i>Phocidae spp.</i>	3		6	3	12
Walrus	<i>Odobenus rosmarus</i>			17	28	45
Unidentified Pinniped	<i>Pinnipedia spp.</i>			7		7
Fin Whale	<i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>		2	1	2	5
Gray Whale	<i>Eschrichtius robustus</i>			3	16	19
Humpback Whale	<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>	1	2	1	6	10
Killer Whale	<i>Orcinus orca</i>		5			5
Minke Whale	<i>Balaenoptera acutorostrata</i>	2	2			4
Unidentified Whale	<i>Cetacea spp.</i>		3	5	70	78

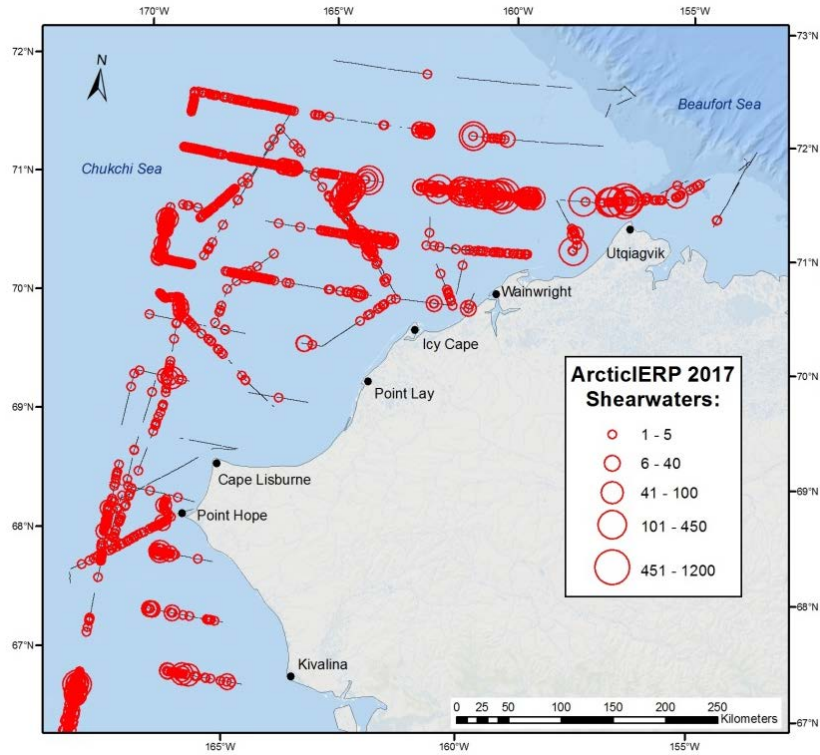


Figure K1: Distribution of shearwaters observed on transect during ArcticIERP 2017. Black lines indicate Marine Bird Survey transects.

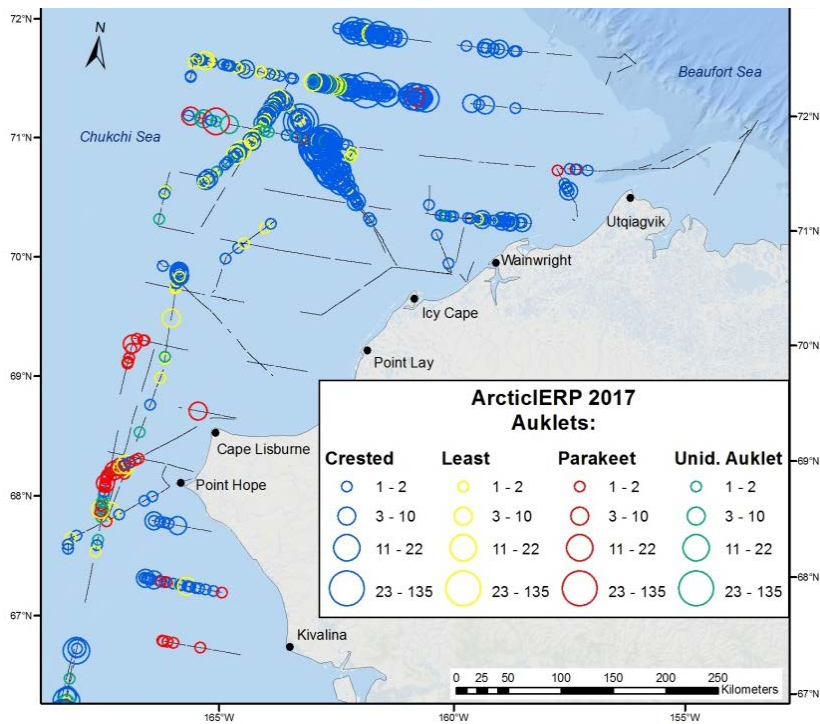


Figure K2: Auklets were widely distributed in the survey area with high concentrations of crested auklets in the northwest part of the study area.

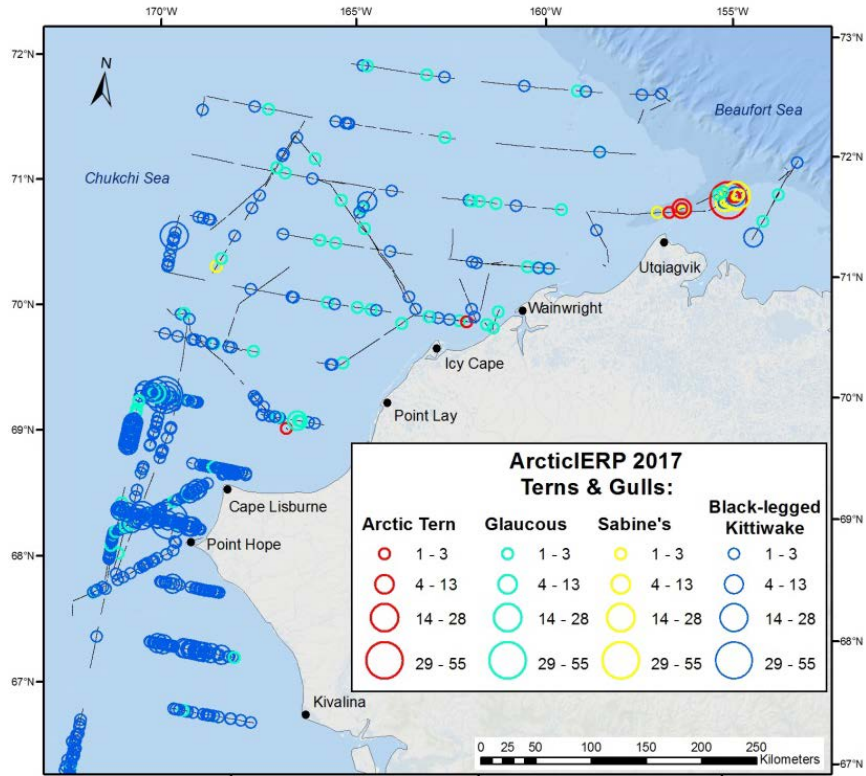


Figure K3: Distribution of terns and gulls observed on transect during ArcticIERP 2017.

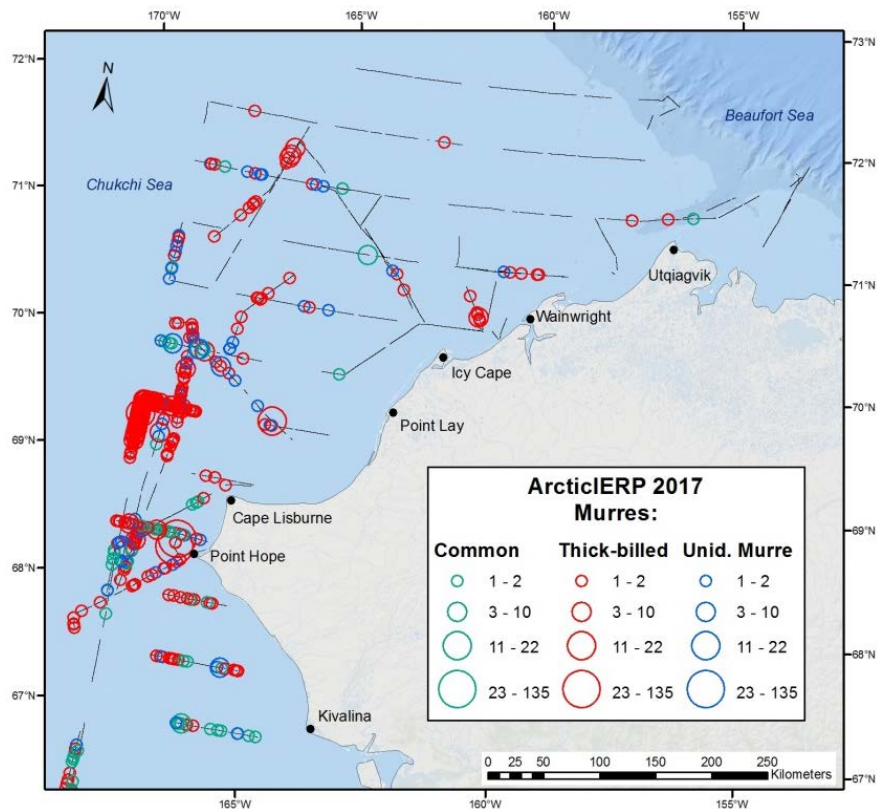


Figure K4: Distribution of murres observed on transect during ArcticIERP 2017.

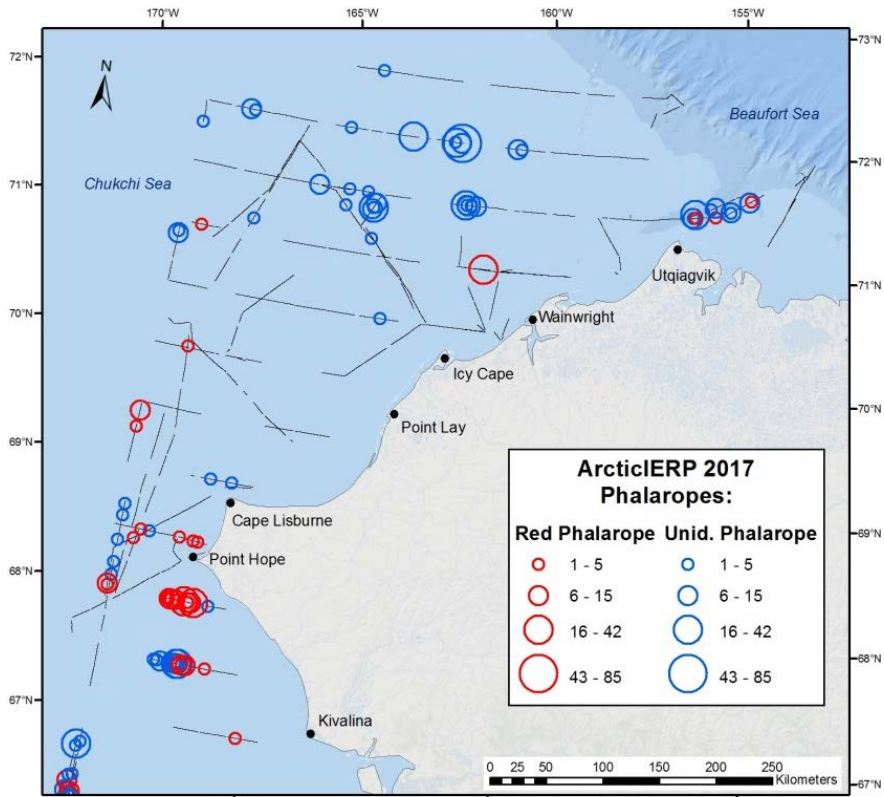


Figure K5: Distribution of phalaropes observed on transect during ArcticIERP 2017.

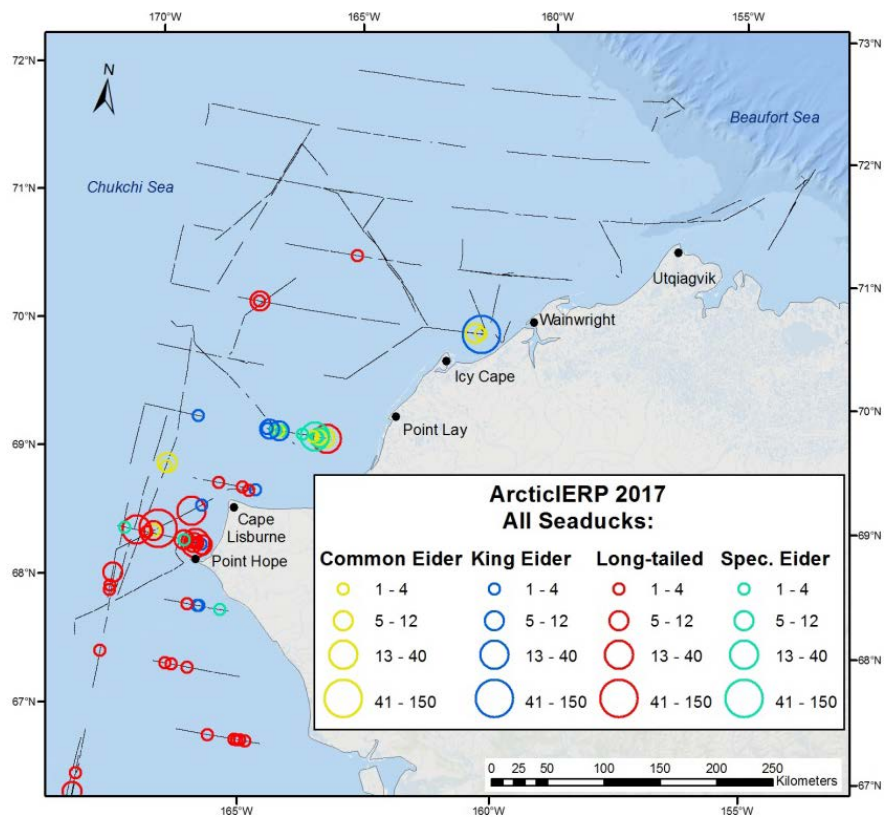


Figure K6: Distribution of all seaducks observed on and off transect during ArcticIERP 2017.

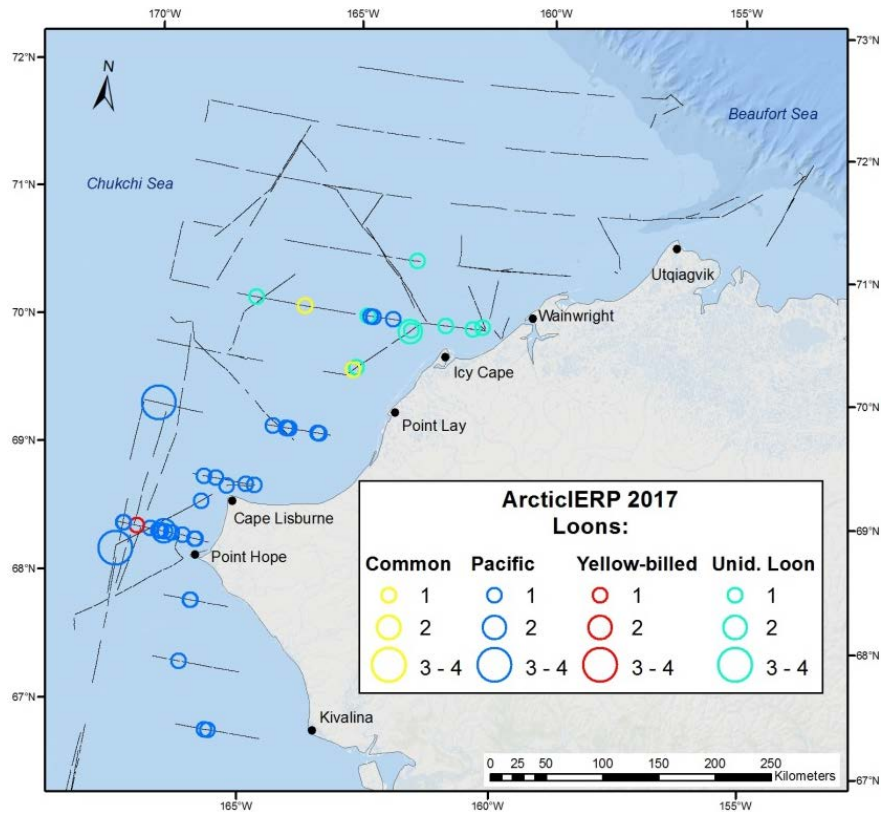


Figure K7: Distribution of loons observed on transect during ArcticIERP 2017.

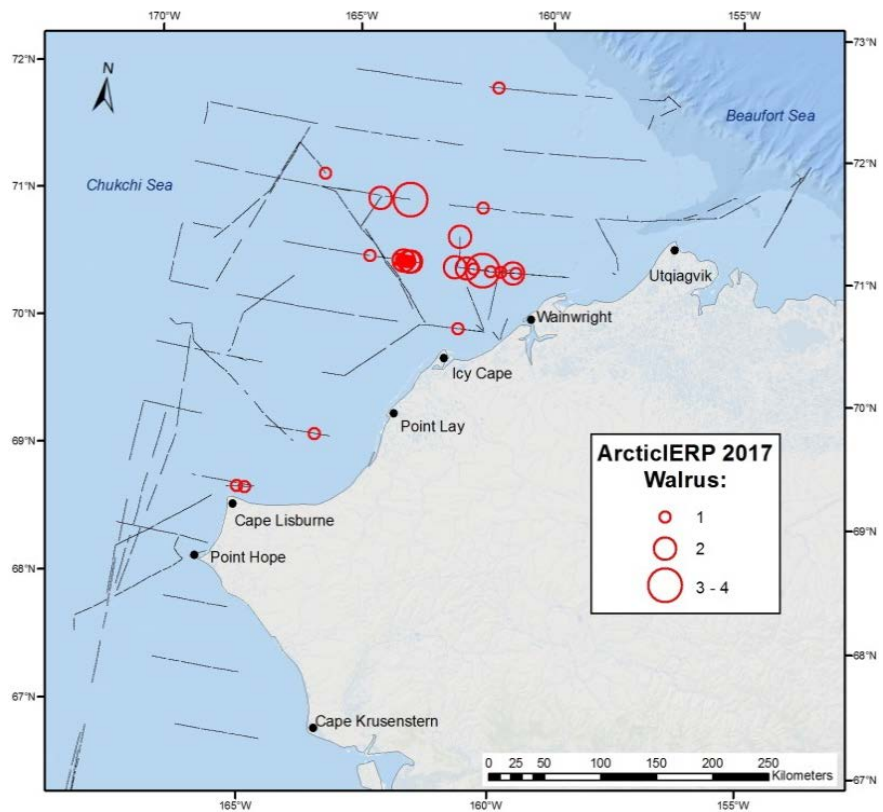


Figure K8: Distribution of all walrus observed on and off transect during ArcticIERP 2017.

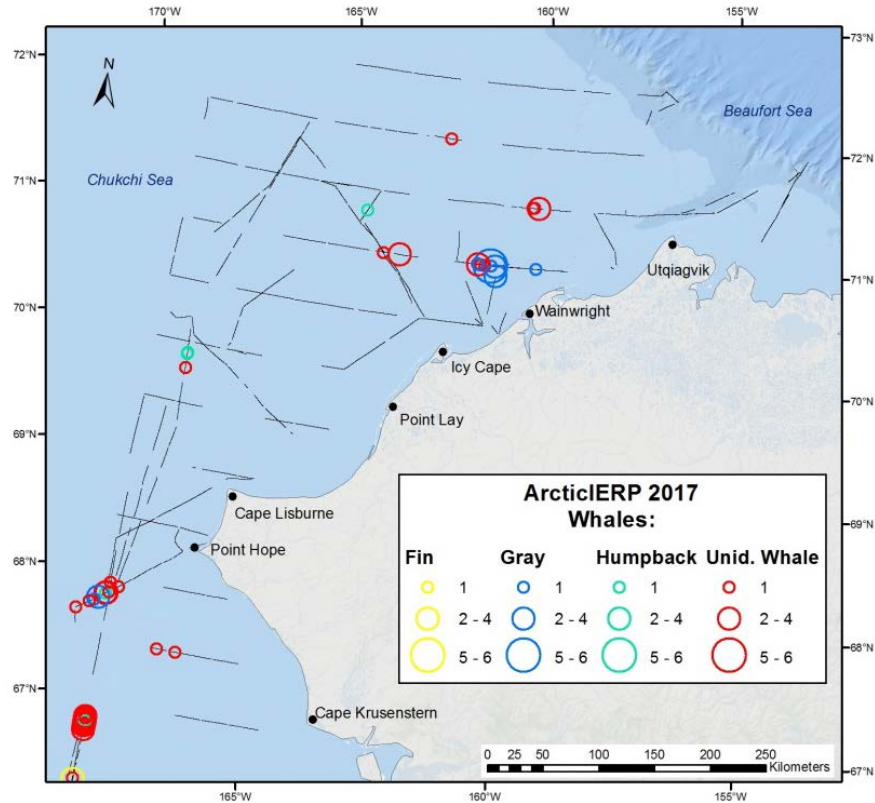


Figure K9: Distribution of all whales observed on and off transect during ArcticIERP 2017.

**L. MOORINGS** (Phyllis Stabeno, Carol Ladd, Geoff Lebon, Sigrid Salo, Ryan McCabe, Catherine Berchok, Chris Wilson)

*i. Biophysical Moorings* (G. Lebon)

Mooring operations for Leg 1 of the IERP survey consisted of 25 moorings recovered and 22 moorings deployed. These included 3 ice profiler moorings turned around, 8 ADCP (Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler) moorings turned around, 11 passive acoustic moorings turned around, 2 passive acoustic moorings recovered, and 1 TAPPS (Tracor Acoustic Plankton Profiling System) mooring recovered. All mooring operations were performed without incident or damage to any instrumentation. The TAPPS mooring and one passive acoustic mooring (Stafford) had to be recovered by dragging. A complete list of all instruments attached to each mooring are listed in Tables L1-L2.

The ITAE Mooring at the C2 site deployed by the USCG Cutter Healy in late July was observed to be in need of repairs. These repairs were successfully performed using the R/V Ocean Starr's small boat.

An additional three moorings were recovered during Leg 2 of the cruise: a passive acoustic mooring (NWFAM) located on the northern Chukchi Sea continental slope near the 1000 m isobath with a single hydrophone near 500 m depth; a subsurface mooring near the mid

shelf C2 location with a prototype SAMI alkalinity sensor near the bottom (ITAE-C); and a surface mooring at the C2 location with a meteorological package and subsurface instruments including the NOAA PMEL ITAE wire-crawling “Prawler” (ITAE-A). The acoustic release was lost during recovery of the Chukchi slope NWFMM mooring; the two additional ITAE mooring recoveries were completed successfully without any issues.

**ii. *Passive Acoustic Moorings*** (C. Berchok)

The passive acoustics work on Leg one consisted of retrieving thirteen and redeploying eleven moorings. All but four of these moorings were located in clusters with the biophysical moorings as described above (Tables L1-L2), while three were co-located with both biophysical and active-acoustic fish detection moorings. One of these moorings (belonging to Kate Stafford) had an issue with its release (most likely an unexpected low-battery level), but was successfully retrieved via dragging; in big part due to the excellent boat handling skills of Captain Pete. All recovered moorings except one (16PAM\_C2) contained a full year of data, which was extracted from the recorders and will be brought to Seattle for future analysis as funding permits. Results will consist of the long-term seasonal calling activity levels of nine species of marine mammals (bowhead, gray, humpback, minke, beluga, and killer whales, bearded and ribbon seals, and walrus), fish (work preliminary), two anthropogenic sound sources (airgun and vessel), and one environmental sound source (ice noise). In addition, quantitative measurements on the acoustic environment surrounding these mooring would be possible from these data.

**iii. *Active Acoustics Moorings*** (C. Wilson)

Three bottom-mounted upward-looking echosounders operating at 38, 70, and 200 kHz along with associated sensors (CTD, orientation) were deployed in the Chukchi Sea during Leg 1. These moorings will be used to describe seasonal changes in abundance and track the movement patterns of Arctic cod to understand the role of the Chukchi as a nursery area for this species. The first mooring (DAFT-1) was deployed on 7 Aug at 70° 0.818N, 166° 51.453W, the second (DAFT-2) on 9 Aug at 70° 50.135N, 163° 6.263W, and the third (DAFT-3) on 12 Aug at 71° 2.335N, 160° 30.212W. The units will be recovered and redeployed for another year during summer 2018.

**Underway passive acoustic monitoring** (C. Berchok)

Short-term passive acoustic monitoring was conducted opportunistically through the deployment of sonobuoys. Sonobuoys are short-term, expendable, listening devices which transmit the acoustic signals via VHF to an antenna on the ship. Maximum distance from the ship to the sonobuoys ranged from 11-14 nm (with tuned Morad VHF antenna). A total of 43 sonobuoys were deployed and 39 transmitted signals for a success rate of 91%. Of the 39 successful buoys, 3 were deployed in the Bering Sea, while 36 were deployed in the Chukchi Sea. Fin whales were the only species detected in the Bering Sea. In the Chukchi, the species detected were fin, humpback, bowhead, and gray whales (Fig. L1). As expected, these results support those of the bird observer for all but fin whales, which typically are heard more than seen on ship surveys, and porpoise, gray whales, and ice seals, which are typically seen more frequently than heard. Fin whales were the most commonly detected (28% of all sonobuoys deployed), followed by



walrus (18%), bowhead and humpback whales (10% each), and gray whales (3%). No other species were detected. The biggest surprise were the number of sonobuoys deployed in the area between Wainwright and Utqiavik (Barrow) that had positive detections of fin whale calls.

Table L1: Moorings recovered during Legs 1 & 2. ADCP=Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler, SUNA=nitrate, Eco Fl=fluorometer, SeaCat=conductivity, temperature, depth, MicroCat=conductivity, temperature, depth; Optode=oxygen sensor; MTR=temperature; SBETemp=temperature; Par=light radiation sensor; TAPS=Tracor Acoustic Plankton Profiling System; AURAL=passive acoustics; AWCP=fish finder; PAL=passive acoustics; CPOD=echolocation; ALK=alkalinity; MET / RAD=winds, radiation, temperature, humidity.

Moorings	ADCP	Ice Profiler	Current Meter	SUNA	Eco Fl	MTR	SeaCat	Micro Cat	Optode	SBE Temp	Par	TAPS	AURAL/Temp/Press	AWCP/PAL/CPOD	MET / RAD	ALK
16CKP1A	1			1	1	2	1				1					
16CKIP1A		1	1					1	1							
16PAM1A													1			
16CKP2A	1			1	1	2	1				1					
16CKIP2A		1	1					1	1							
16CKT2A												1				
16PAM2A													1			
16CKP3A	1			1	1		1				1					
16CKIP3A		1	1					1	1							
16PAM3A													1			
16CKP4A	1		1		1		1				1					
16PAM4A													1			
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16PAM5A													1			
16CKP10A	1				1		1							1		
16PAM10A														1		
16CKP11A	1				1		1							1		
16PAM11A													1			
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16PAM_NS1													1			
16PAM_NM1													1			
16PAM_BF1													1			
16PAM_BF2													1			
NWFMAM													1			
ITAE-A					2	1	1	2	1						1	
ITAE-C																1

**Table L2: Moorings deployed during leg 1. ADCP=Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler, SUNA=nitrate, Eco FI=fluorometer, SeaCat=conductivity, temperature, depth, MicroCat=conductivity, temperature, depth; Optode=oxygen sensor; MTR=temperature; SBETemp=temperature; Par=light radiation; TAPS= TracorAcoustic Plankton Profiling System; AURAL=passive acoustics; AWCP=fish finder; PAL=passive acoustics; CPOD=echolocation.**

Moorings	ADCP	Ice Profiler	Current Meter	SUNA	Eco FI	MTR	SeaCat	MicroCat	Optode	Par	DAFT	AURAL/Temp/Press	AWCP/CPOD
17CKP1A	1			1	1	2	1			1			
17CKIP1A		1	1					1	1			1	
17PAM1A													
17DAFT 1A											1		
17CKP2A	1			1	1	2	1			1			
17CKIP2A		1	1					1	1			1	
17PAM2A													
17CKP3A	1			1	1		1			1			
17CKIP3A		1	1					1	1				
17PAM3A												1	
17CKP4A	1		1		1		1		1	1			
17PAM4A												1	
17DAFT4A											1		
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17PAM5A												1	
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17PAM11A												1	
17DAFT11A											1		
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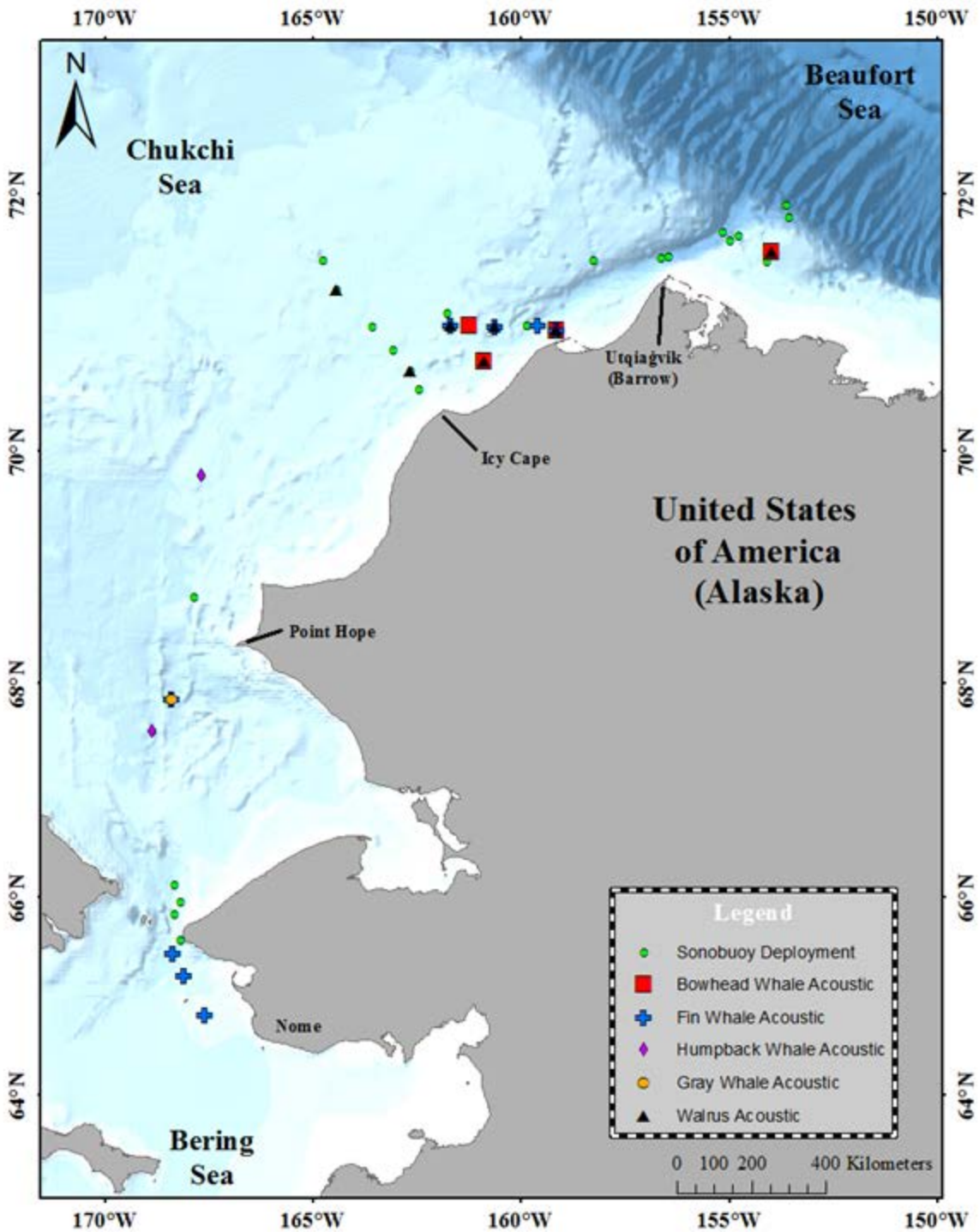
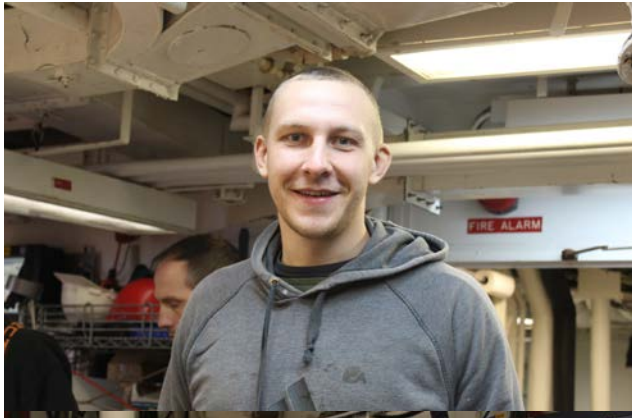


Fig. L1: Location of and species detected on all sonobuoy deployments in the Chukchi and western Beaufort Seas during leg 1 of the 2017 Arctic IERP survey. Deployments were made opportunistically by one technician, and so deployment positions were not evenly distributed along the cruise track.

## M. INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION (Ed Farley)

We were fortunate to have three Russian scientists on the survey during legs 2 and 3. Aleksey Somoff and Natalia Kuznetsova are from the TINRO Center in Vladivostok, Russia. Alexey is a Research Fish Biologist, specializing in marine ecology of fishes in the Arctic and western Bering Sea. Natalia Kuznetsova is a Marine Biologist, specializing in zooplankton ecology and fish diet. Igor Grigorov is from the VNIRO Center in Moscow, Russia. Igor is a Research Fish Biologist, specializing in marine ecology of fishes.



Aleksey Somoff (photo credit, Alicia Flores)



Natalia Kuznetsova (photo credit, Alicia Flores)



Igor Grigorov (photo credit, Alicia Flores)

## N. ALASKA NATIVE SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

We were fortunate to have two ANSEP participants on our survey.

Harmony Wayner is an undergraduate student at the University of Alaska Southeast. Harmony participated during Leg 1 of our survey and assisted with collecting and processing oceanographic information and fish catch. Harmony also provided several “blogs” from the survey and gave an oral presented about her experience during the Strait Science talk in Nome, AK on August 25.



Harmony Wayner (credit Harmony Wayner)

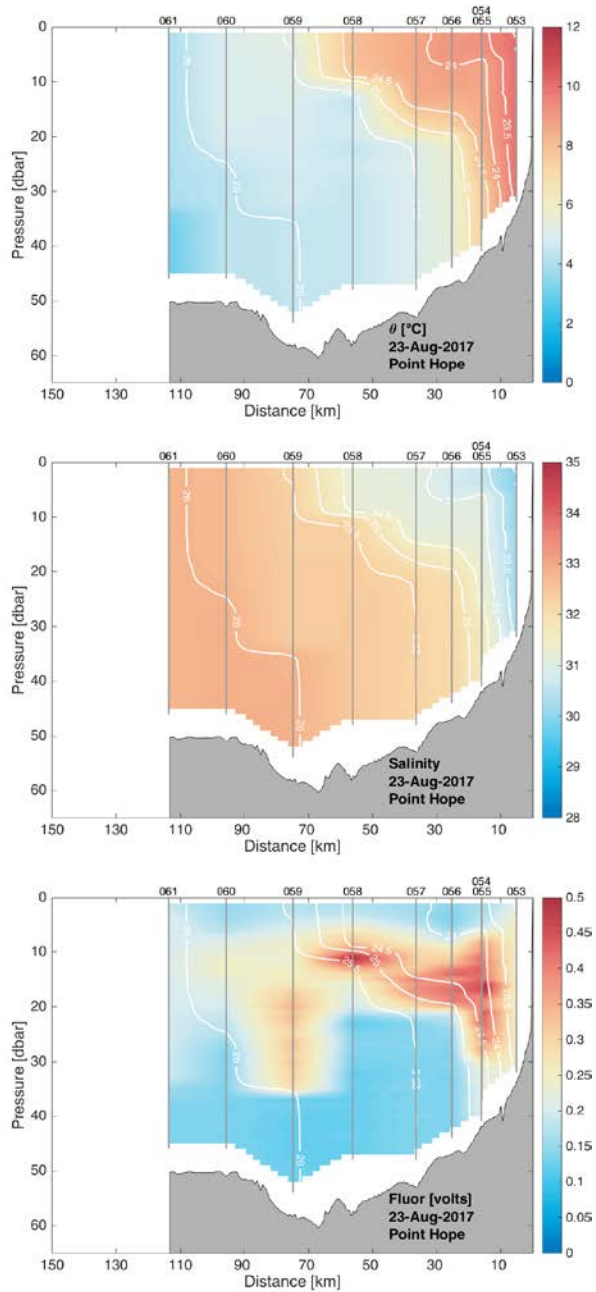
Alicia Flores has an undergraduate degree in Biology. Alicia participated during Legs 2 and 3 of our survey and assisted with collecting and processing oceanographic information and fish catch. Alicia provided numerous “blogs” during the survey and gave an oral presentation about her experience during the Strait Science talk in Nome, AK on September 28.



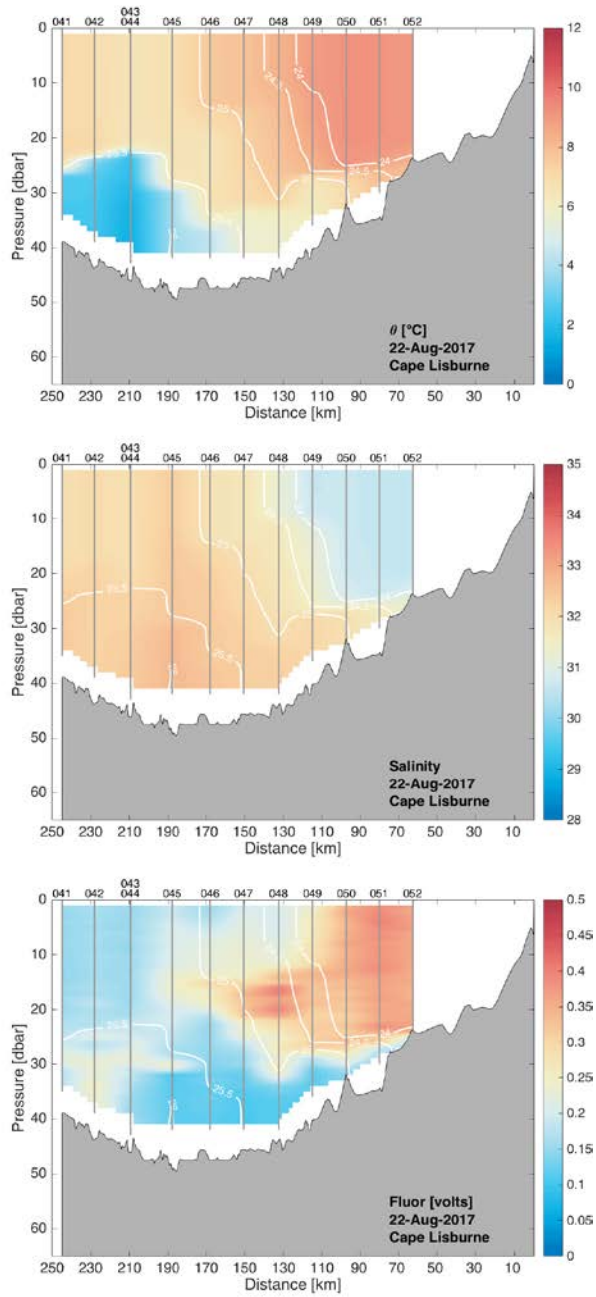
Alicia Flores (credit Alicia Flores)

# APPENDICES

## APPENDIX A: HYDROGRAPHIC TRANSECTS AND PLAN VIEW MAPS

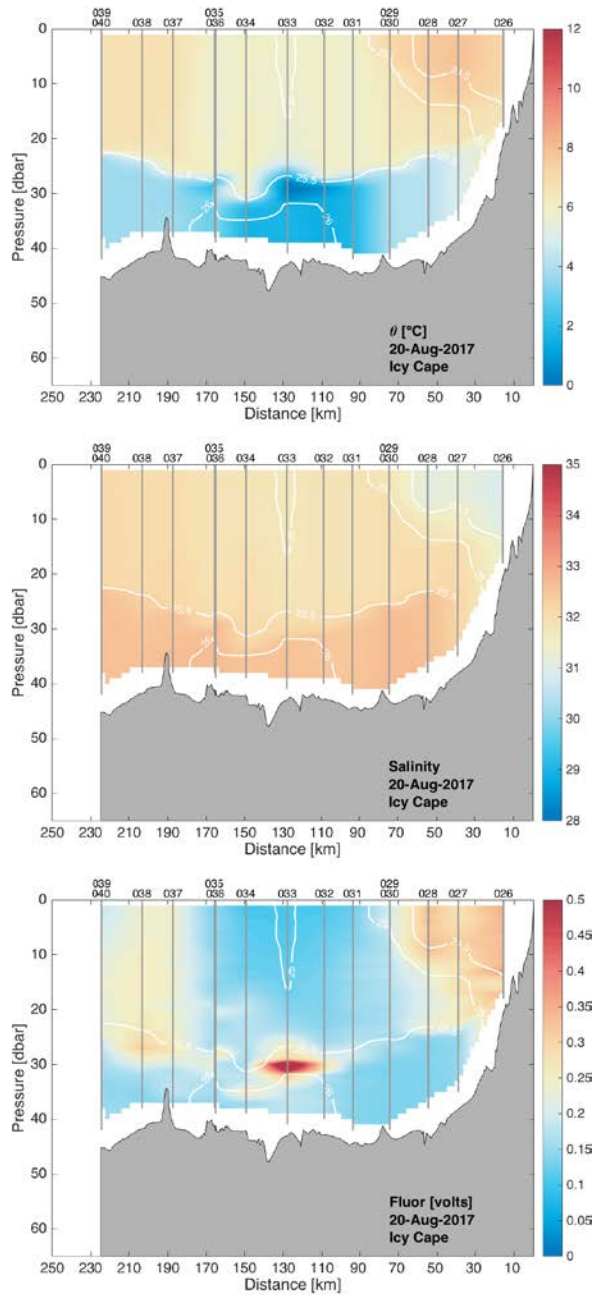


**Fig. A1:** Potential temperature (top), salinity (middle), and fluorescence (bottom) from the hydrographic transect off Point Hope. Data are not yet quality controlled.



**Fig. A2:** Potential temperature (top), salinity (middle), and fluorescence (bottom) from the hydrographic transect near Cape Lisburne. Data are not yet quality controlled.





**Fig. A3:** Potential temperature (top), salinity (middle), and fluorescence (bottom) from the hydrographic transect off Icy Cape. Data are not yet quality controlled.

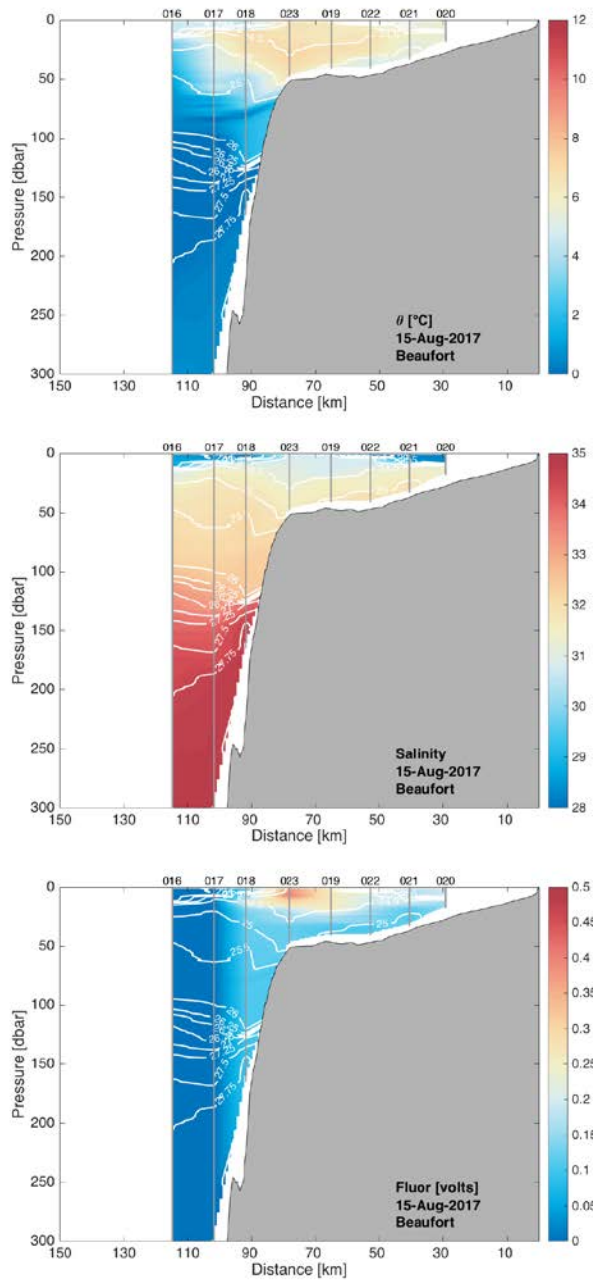
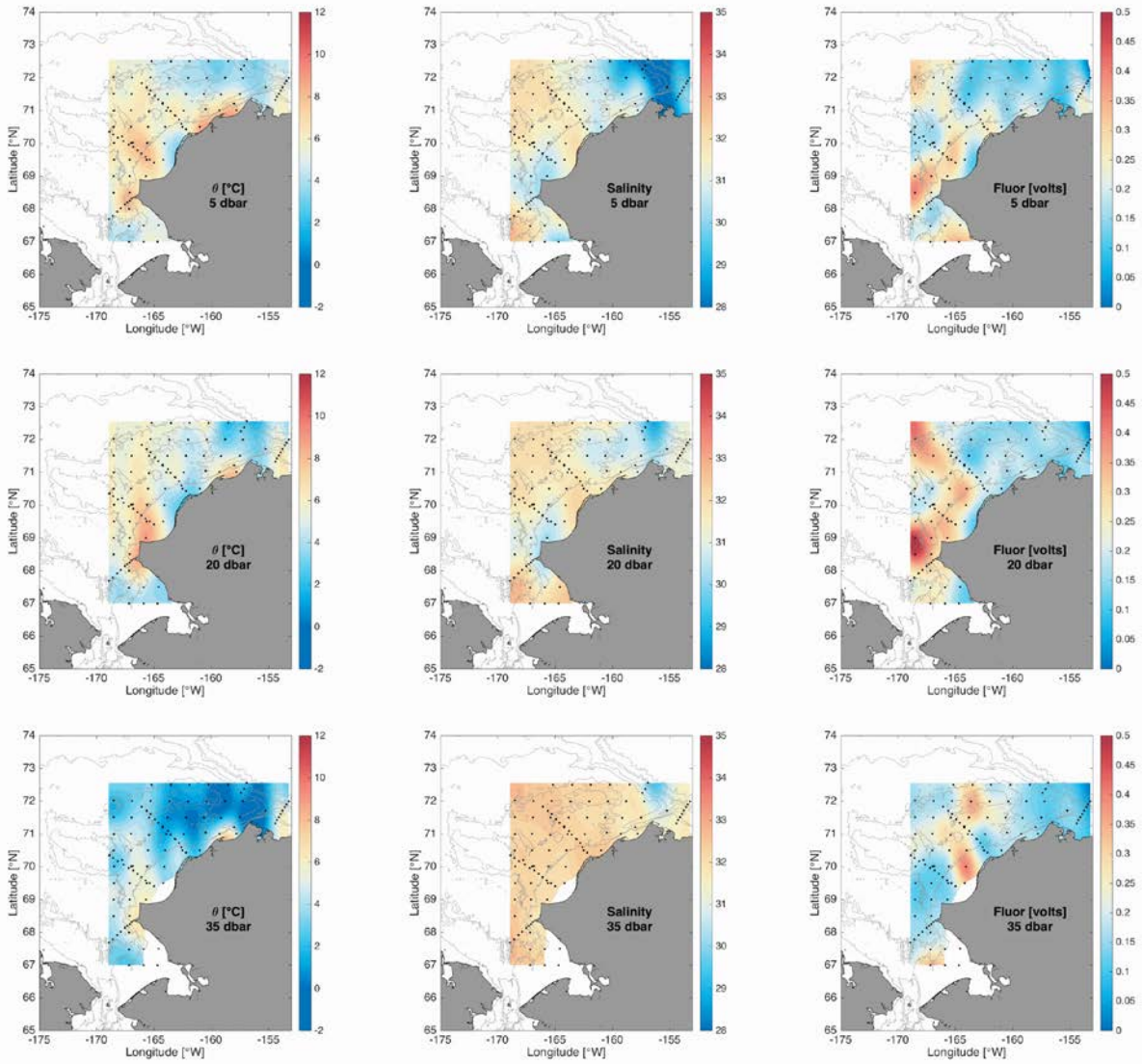


Fig. A4: Potential temperature (top), salinity (middle), and fluorescence (bottom) from the hydrographic transect over the Beaufort continental slope near Barrow. Data are not yet quality controlled.



**Fig. A5:** Plan view maps of potential temperature (left column), salinity (middle column), and fluorescence (right column) at three depths (5, 20, and 35 dbar; top to bottom, respectively) over the Chukchi Sea shelf from hydrographic profiles collected Aug–Sep 2017 aboard the *R/V Ocean Starr*. Data are not yet quality controlled.

## APPENDIX B: EVENT ACTIVITY LOG

LEG 1					
SURVEY	EVENT_ID	GEAR	DATE/TIME (GMT)	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
AIES2017	11	CTD	08072017 08:38:28.900	70.2117	-167.7904
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